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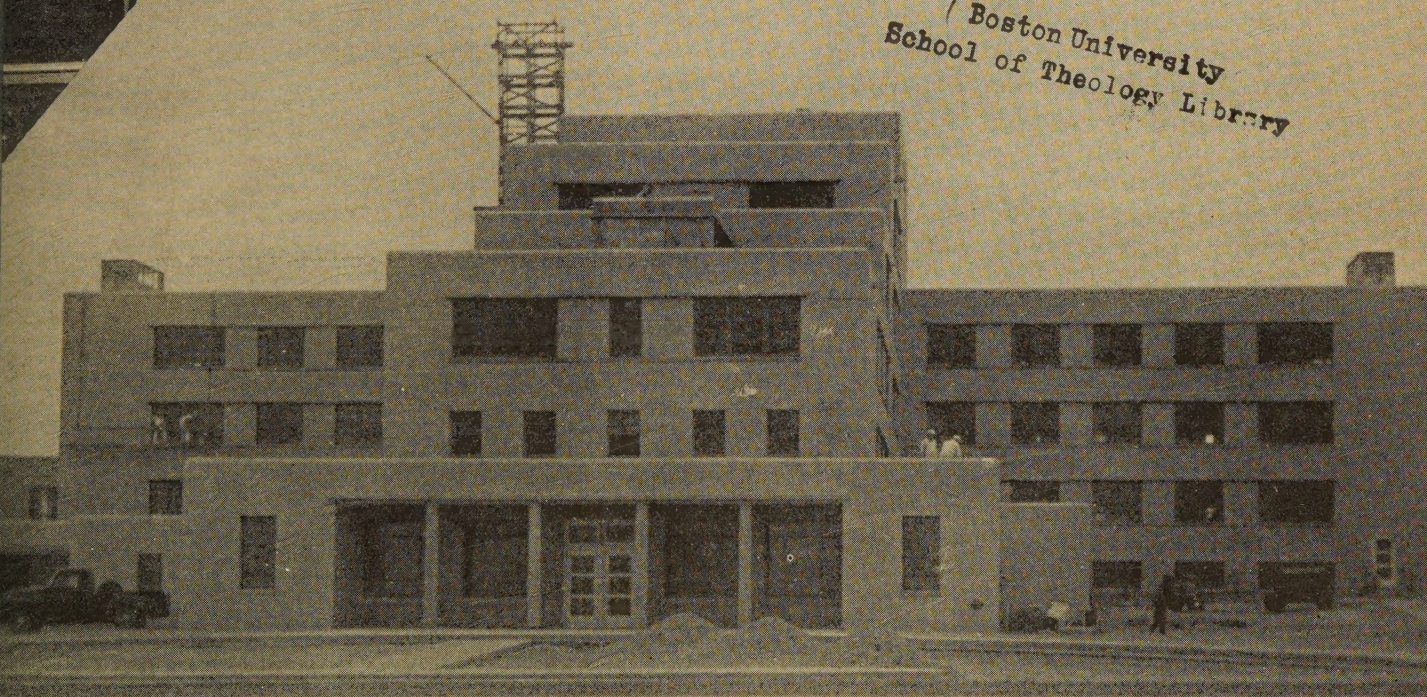

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COVER

The cover this month combines the picture of a nurse from Sibley Hospital, Washington, D. C., with the new Bataan Memorial Methodist Hospital, Albuquerque, New Mexico (See page 16).

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A QUIZ

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2. Pusan
3. Il Maten
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5. Mutambara
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Operation—Participation

"One Way to Get Understanding is Through Participation"

VOLUNTEER lay leadership is the genius of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. That well-known and oft-repeated fact was demonstrated again at the Twelfth Annual Meeting. Standing Committees on Organization and Promotion, Missionary Education and Service, Wesleyan Service Guild, and World Federation of Methodist Women met prior to the sessions of the Woman's Division. Really, Standing Committee is a misnomer, for the members *sat* for long, grueling hours as they worked out plans which were presented to the Division. Those adopted will be channeled to local societies to be put into action.

Before you read further, reach for your *Twelfth Annual Report** and turn to page 10. Read the listing of committees and note the membership on each. Then turn to page 5 of this issue and look at the pictures of the members of the Woman's Division. These women represent all jurisdictions and all parts of the country. They not only bring the thinking of their section to the total group, but in turn they help to interpret the work of the Woman's Division to the conferences and jurisdictions.

Many conference presidents attended the meeting as guests for the first time. All of them agree with the sentiment expressed by Mrs. A. H. Lowther, president of Detroit Conference:

This visit will long be remembered for its inspiration, information, and fellowship.

Mrs. A. B. Pfeiffer, Rock River Conference, paid tribute to the devotion of the staff and the Division members to the work:

Although I was aware of this wonderful contribution of volunteer effort on the Division level, nevertheless, it was good for me to see them at work firsthand.

And she added:

I liked the *democratic* process in evidence throughout the entire meeting.

The democratic process was mentioned by several. The president of Minnesota Conference, Mrs. Marcus Maynard, said, "I am now more aware of the tremendous responsibility resting upon the members of the Division in planning this great program. And every action was taken in a thoroughly democratic way."

Mrs. Harold Baker, Ohio Conference, and Mrs. H. W. Fitch, Illinois Conference, were thrilled to see how the suggestions and ideas from local societies channeled through district, conference, and jurisdiction officers were received and studied. And, as Mrs. Baker said, "unfold in a new and better program." Mrs. Fitch termed it "democracy in action."

The president of North Dakota Conference, Mrs. A. O. Gunnerud, learned that the program is built on the experiences of local women in local societies. "It is *our* program, and not just the program planned by the Division officers or staff, for they demonstrated the spirit of cooperation in every session."

Another guest, Mrs. C. P. Dudley, secretary of Missionary Education of North-East Ohio Conference, was impressed by the friendly spirit and deep sincerity evident throughout the meeting:

"Mrs. Brooks struck the keynote when she quoted, 'I love Thy church, O God.' Throughout the discussions when there were differences of opinion, it was apparent that each person was seeking the answer that would serve the best interests of the church."

This was echoed by Mrs. Robert Smyth, North Iowa Conference, in her statement: "Our total program is generated in the hearts of women who are deeply and actively concerned for the needs of the world."

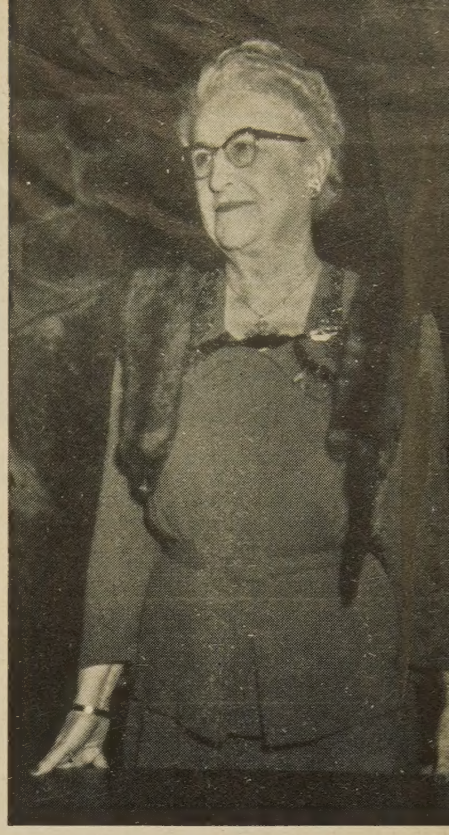
Mrs. C. W. Stacey, secretary of Promotion for Western Jurisdiction, summed up her impressions in two words—stewardship and democracy:

"Stewardship of time and talent was exemplified not only by our missionaries, deaconesses, and other workers who have dedicated their lives to full-time Christian service, but also by that group of women who give so generously of themselves on a volunteer basis in the leadership of our organization.

"The stewardship of money was shown by the treasurer, Miss Henrietta Gibson, when she reported the gifts of the past year and expressed her faith for financial gains in the future."

Lack of space prevents further comments. Pictures and stories of missionaries and deaconesses will appear in forthcoming issues.

Make the statement at the top of the page the slogan of your society.



Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, President, presides with dignity and ease

Missionaries and deaconesses commissioned by Bishop Arthur J. Moore

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Mrs. J. N. Rodeheaver, Recording Secretary *(right)*, chatting with the newest member, Mrs. W. E. Longstreth, following the buffet supper on Sunday, January 13

Items from the Minutes

By MRS. J. N. RODEHEAVER, *Recording Secretary*

Opening: **The Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Division of Christian Service opened in the East Room of The Inn at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, Tuesday afternoon, January 8, 1952, at 2:15, with Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, the president, in the chair. The worship service was led by Mrs. Edwin B. White, chairman of the Standing Committee on Spiritual Life.**

In Memoriam

Mrs. Brooks mentioned recent deaths: the father of Mrs. A. C. Johnson, chairman of Work in Home Fields; the husband of Mrs. Frank I. Hollingsworth, president of Western Jurisdiction; the husband of Mrs. W. H. Ratliff, former member of the Woman's Division; Mrs. Foss Zartman, former member of the Woman's Division and treasurer of the Continuing Corporation of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the time of her death.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Mention of the death of Mrs. Wray Andrew's husband was omitted inadvertently from the notes on the September Executive Committee.)

Finances

Giving on appropriations for the year ending May 31, 1951 was $6,220,528.76, an increase of $480,321.45 over last year, or 8.36 per cent increase. The total increase for the three-year Advance period is $1,621,928.72, or a 35.27 per cent increase.

Cost of administration, 3.37 per cent of receipts; for Education and Cultivation, 5.16 per cent. A total of 8.53 per cent for administration and promotion.

Membership

Woman's Society of Christian Service, 1,533,411.

Total adult membership, including Wesleyan Service Guild, 1,644,593.

Number of Woman's Societies, 29,229.

Number of Wesleyan Service Guild Units, 4,645.

Adopted

Quadrennial plans for 1952-1956 on the theme, "That the Kingdom of God May Be Realized."

A Charter of Racial Policies for the Woman's Division of Christian Service, to be ratified by jurisdictions and conferences.

Fourth Assembly

Will meet in Denver, Colorado, early in May, 1954.

Elected

Miss Dorcas Hall, executive secretary of the Section of Education and Cultivation, assumes her office July 1, 1952.

Mrs. Maude White Hardie, assistant to the executive secretary of the Section of Education and Cultivation.

New Member

Mrs. Wilbur Longstreth of Memphis, Missouri, appointed by Bishop Ivan Lee Holt to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. J. D. Bragg.

Missionary Personnel

Miss Alice Murdock reported that from June, 1948, through December, 1951, 522 candidates had been accepted. The candidates to be commissioned at this meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension were presented:

Department of Work in Home Fields

Miss Shirley Kathryn Bates, Middletown, New York
Miss Mary Ensor Chaffin, Rector, Arkansas
Miss Olive Alvina Cook, Frostburg, Maryland
Miss Doris Jean DeGraff, Fruitport, Michigan
Miss Marjorie Ruth Ewart, Hightstown, New Jersey
Miss Phyllis Jeannette Garrett, Woodbine, Kansas
Miss Betty Ruth Goode, St. Cloud, Florida
Miss Hazel Mary Horner, Wilmington, Delaware
Miss Ramona Irene Hundt, Michigan City, Indiana
Miss Beryl Elizabeth Lardin, Masontown, Pennsylvania
Miss Dorothy Lish, Chattanooga, Tennessee
Miss Arlene Merritt, Jermyn, Pennsylvania
Miss Jennie Agnes Propert, Camden, New Jersey
Miss Carol Ulsrud, Chattanooga, Tennessee
Miss Dorothy May Wilber, Farmington, Maine
Miss Roberta Wilson, Alliance, Ohio

Department of Work in Foreign Fields

Miss Marcia-Mary Ball, Chicago, Illinois
Miss Joy Betts, Greensboro, North Carolina
Miss Peggy Marie Billings, McComb, Mississippi
Miss Thelma Louise Hammond, Clarksville, Indiana
Miss Joyce Hill, Canyon, Texas
Miss Aileen Mabel Mitchell, Ava, Missouri
Miss Dorothy Marie Nelson, Gaylord, Minnesota
Miss Olive J. Ratliff, Huntington, West Virginia
Miss Margery Short, Perry, Georgia
Miss Glendene VanLandingham, Van Wert, Ohio
Miss Naomi Wiline Whitely, Siloam Spring, Arkansas
Miss Sarah Beatrice Willis, Minerva, Ohio

Reports

For full reports made by the executive secretaries, staff members, and chairmen of standing committees, see the *Twelfth Annual Report.**

Extracurricular Activities

Many of Methodism's world travelers brought slides of their summer journeys. Showings were held in different lounges after meetings.

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New member, Mrs. Paul E. Secrest, snatches a few minutes to write a letter. Mrs. Secrest was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. John Seward

Northeastern Jurisdiction: *(seated)* Mrs. Joy Elmer Morgan, Mrs. James J. Mawha, Mrs. Fred C. Reynolds, Mrs. W. Raymond Brown; *(standing)* Mrs. Ward M. Downs, Mrs. John M. Pearson, Mrs. J. Wesley Masland, Mrs. H. C. Leonard, Mrs. Howard W. Selby. Not present: Mrs. David M. Ensell, who was married on January 30 to Dr. Joseph Piper

Southeastern Jurisdiction: *(seated)* Mrs. Roscoe M. White, Mrs. J. W. Payne, Mrs. L. M. Awtrey, Mrs. Paul Arrington; *(standing)* Mrs. Frederick M. Mullino, Mrs. Edwin B. White, Mrs. Frank G. Bell, Miss Juliet Poynter, Mrs. J. H. Cutchin, Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Mrs. E. U. Robinson. Not in picture: Mrs. E. L. Hillman

Members of the Woman's Division by Jurisdictions

Central Jurisdiction: Mrs. J. Ernest Wilkins, Mrs. W. L. Turner, Mrs. G. Haven Caldwell, Mrs. Robert K. Gordon, Mrs. J. W. Jewett, Mrs. George W. Carter, Jr.

South Central Jurisdiction: *(seated)* Mrs. George Dismukes, Mrs. Charles W. Mead, Mrs. S. E. McCreless; *(standing)* Mrs. W. E. Longstreth, Mrs. Earl Foster, Mrs. J. H. Rutherford, Mrs. H. King Wade, Mrs. George Sexton, Jr., Mrs. C. A. Barr. Insert: Dr. Mary Shannon

North Central Jurisdiction: *(seated)* Mrs. J. N. Rodeheaver, Mrs. A. O. Aldrich, Mrs. A. R. Henry, Mrs. Charles E. Wegner, Mrs. Clarence D. Laylin, Mrs. Paul E. Secrest, Mrs. Alan K. Laing, Mrs. Frank G. Brooks, Mrs. Julia Parr Naftzger; *(standing)* Mrs. Salmon C. Myers, Mrs. James Oldshue. Not in picture: Mrs. John G. Law

Western Jurisdiction: Mrs. Recter W. Johnson, Mrs. Wray Andrew, Mrs. J. W. Bunch, Mrs. J. F. McAlear, Mrs. Frank I. Hollingsworth, Mrs. E. Paul Todd

The Relevance of Prayer

By ALBERT EDWARD DAY

EFFICIENCY is the great American concern. At times it seems to be the most nearly universal American ideal. The efficiency expert is in great demand everywhere—except in government. Business wants no lost motion and no wasted money. Surgery is on the quest for more and better operations. The housewife is eager for the kitchen that will save steps and the can that will reduce the number of recipes to be mastered. Techniques have invaded even the realm of love. Young men and women no longer trust their hearts. They must attend classes and study books on the art of loving. Even churchmen are becoming ardent devotees of methods. How to teach religion, how to organize the parish, how to advertise the church, how to increase the budget—such matters are constantly a study in the hope of making the minister more efficient if not more spiritual. The New Testament confidently affirms, "The wind bloweth where it listeth and thou hearest the sound therof but canst not tell whence it cometh or whither it goeth; so is everyone that is born of the Spirit." But to some ecclesiasts, it seems equal folly to wait for the wind to blow or to depend on the breath of the Spirit. They would manufacture Christians in seven-day "church membership campaigns."

Gadgets, push-buttons, time-saving, labor-saving, thought-saving machines; job analyses, organized inventions, endowed research, specialization—these are characteristically American and they are all the dreams and devices of devotees of efficiency. That is why many have so little interest in prayer. It does not seem to have any relationship to efficiency.

Mistaken Notions

To some, it appears as an escape from harsh reality to soft unreality, from the world of fact to a world of fantasy, from difficulty and danger to dreams. It is a message to a Santa Claus who isn't there, an appeal to make-believe, an indulgence in mysticism when one is dismayed by matters of fact, a refusal of life as it is in order to regale one's self in reveries on life as one wishes it to be. It is a juvenile romance with fairies. At the worst it is a paranoid delusion of grandeur.

To others, prayer appears to be an idle luxury. It is playing the role of a tabby cat purring before the fire. Only the fire isn't there and the peace of soul engendered by the practice has no more relation to the making of a living than the cat's purr has to the mice in the barn.

To still others, prayer seems an expenditure of hours or minutes that might be more profitably employed. If time is spent in study, one knows something at the end. But what did one ever learn by praying? If one is busy making plans, one emerges with a program for intelligent action. But what wise plan ever came from an altar? If one works, there is something t show for it. But what is there t show after an hour on one's knees In a lifeboat adrift at sea—so w are told—one strapping fello frightened by their plight waile that he was going to pray. A hard boiled seaman shouted, "Let th little fellow pray; you stick to th oars."

To a few, prayer is ignoble. I is an effort to get God to do wha we ought to undertake for our selves. Hugh Price Hughes wa correct when he said, "The Hol Ghost is not an errand boy for laz Christians." He isn't! But som humanists assume that anyone wh prays is seeking to shift over to th shoulders of the Almighty the loa his own back is able to bear an should bear; is looking for divin inspiration when what is needed i a little human perspiration; is seek ing God's guidance in order t avoid the necessity for research analysis and decision; wants to b God's little boy all his life instea of growing up to spiritual maturity

This message is a brief condensation of a series of talks which Dr. Day gave during the fifth annual retreat of the Disciplined Order of Christ held last summer at Albion College, Albion, Michigan.

Dr. Day, pastor of Mount Vernon Place Methodist Church, Baltimore, is also executive director of the Order.

Other leaders of the retreat were Dean William J. Faulkner of Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee; Dr. Berthold von Schenk, pastor, Lutheran Church of our Saviour, New York City; and Dr. Howard P. Powell, pastor, Edenton Street Methodist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Features of the retreat included a Youth Vesper led by young ministers, and daily rhythmic exercises conducted by Mrs. Vivian Osburn of Des Moines, Iowa.

Equipment for Action

But they all are mistaken. Righ prayer is not escape from action, i is equipment for action. It is no idle luxury; it is no luxury at al If anyone ever really has prayed he knows it is not! It is *labor* o the most demanding and discipline variety. It is not a waste of tim The hours spent in communion wit God make better, more effectiv the hours spent in action. It is no an effort to get God to do what w ought to do, but to let God equip u for the doing, and help us in th doing, and do only what we alon cannot do.

Prayer of the right kind make for efficiency on the noblest leve of achievement.

Suppose we let a scientist spea here. Dr. Alexis Carrell wrote

"The influence of prayer on the human mind and body is as demonstrable as that of the secreting glands. Its results can be measured in terms of increased physical buoyancy, a greater intellectual vigor, moral stamina, and deeper understanding of the realities underlying human relationships. Properly understood, prayer is a mature activity indispensable to the fullest development of personality—the ultimate integration of man's highest faculties."

"Properly understood!" Nothing is of much value unless properly understood—violin or vitamin, car or catalogue, bandage or Bible. One must apprehend a thing's purpose and function and method of operation—and usually must acquire some skill in the employment of it, if one is to realize its benefits.

If one tried to use a violin for a tennis racket, or a vitamin for a lubricant, or a car for a fishing schooner, or a catalogue for a text on political economy, or a bandage for a parachute, or a Bible for a guide to the astronomical heavens, he would not be more foolish or more frustrated than people who use prayer for objectives and in ways commonly in vogue even among intelligent people. But as certainly as a violin can produce music of incomparable sweetness, a vitamin promote health, a car take us places, a catalogue acquaint us with sources of supply, a bandage prevent infection, the Bible bring us into contact with the life superb —so can prayer become music and health and transport and the supply of urgent needs and the healing of life's wounds and the illumination of minds and the purification of the heart. But such desirable results, in prayer as in everything else, depend upon understanding and the practice of that understanding.

In this abbreviation there is space only to consider one aspect of prayer. It is an aspect sorely neglected in the prayer life of a multitude. Some who have said prayers all their lives have never had one real experience of prayer at its best.

Quietness Essential

Right prayer demands a quieting of the whole being. There are prayers said aloud—and they are often helpful—the vocal expression of inner need or desire may aid in concentration of attention. It, too, is sometimes imperative for the release of pent-up emotion. And, of course, it has great significance in corporate worship, or in the sublime act of intercession for someone who seems unable to pray for himself and who needs to hear a fellow mortal with faith interpret his plight to God. But the truest prayer begins when we pass beyond words into deep silence; when lips are hushed; when racing thoughts are stilled; when emotions are as placid as "the dawning over the waveless ocean." Most of us have sung and loved Whittier's hymn: "Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways."

That hymn is a prayer in a sense. But in a deeper sense, it is only a prayer that we may be prepared to pray. Not until the heats of desire have been cooled, and the still, small voice has calmed us, and the dews of quietness have descended upon our anxious strivings, and all strain and stress have been banished, does prayer truly begin. Anything before that is feverish asking, frantic seeking, fierce knocking. The asking and seeking and knocking are, for the most of us, necessary at the beginning at least. They are a way of "letting off steam," releasing inner pressures, relieving panic. But they are only preludes to the best prayer. When Jesus told us to ask, seek, knock, he did not mean to urge upon us clamor, noise, fussiness, tumult. He was, in that graphic, picturesque fashion, saying that a certain attitude of the self is necessary: a sense of need, an upward thrust of soul, a yearning toward God, an insistent quest that will not be daunted by anything like a closed door between us and God.

Prayer is not fussing with God. It is not desire lashed into a frenzy in the hope of making an appeal to a Heart that cannot be moved by less heroic methods. It is not making a noise to attract God's attention. It is the hushing of the noises in our life so that God may get our attention.

The reason for much failure in prayer lies in the failure to be quiet. Silence of body, silence of mind, silence of heart, silence of will are imperatives. Real prayer time is quiet time—such quiet as some of us have never known since the day when the delivery room echoed with our first cry. It is not a quiet which comes of itself. It is a quiet that has to be cultivated. It is an art to be learned; and no art is more worth learning.

Value of Silence

Such silence has great therapeutic value. Dr. A. A. Lindsay credits "the principle of silence with having brought about numerous cures and expanded power." Silence is a renewer of the mind. Walter Lippman said in "Public Opinion" that it is a necessity for the thinker to create about himself for a part of the day "a pool of silence." It is in silence that wisdom is born and insight comes. One hour of disciplined, prayerful, genuine silence every day would foment a buoyancy of health and vigor of mind to which many will otherwise be strangers, unless they practice it.

The relation of even this single phase of real prayer to efficiency is obvious. Great things have been accomplished in spite of illness by undaunted spirits but, as one of the most dauntless of them, Robert Louis Stevenson, wrote, "Ill health is a great handicap in the race of life." A fumbling mind is not merely an inconvenience; it is a disaster. "A sound mind in a sound body" is not simply a catchy slogan; it is an accurate description of a consummation devoutly to be wished. Prayer has other tremendous contributions to make to wholeness of manhood and womanhood, but if it did nothing more than assure the daily depth of quiet in which bodies relax and recuperate, and minds recover resilience, it would be indispensable to anyone who desires to be efficient in his work.

Ye Are My Witnesses

A Day Apart Service *Prepared by* VIVIAN WEEKS DUDLEY

Quiet Music: "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind," No. 342; "Spirit of God," No. 179; "Breathe on Me," No. 180.[1]

Call to Worship: [2] *(Seated)*

Leader: This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Group: **This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.**

Leader: Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise.

Group: **For the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth.**

Unison Prayer:

"O God our Father, who hast led us apart from the busy world into the quiet of thy house; grant us the grace to worship thee in spirit and in truth, to the comfort of our souls and the upbuilding of every good purpose and holy desire. Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which thou hast called us, that we may not fear the coming of the night, when we shall resign into thy hands the tasks which thou hast committed to us. So may we worship thee not with our lips only at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives. . . ." [2]

Prayer-Hymn: "God of Grace and God of Glory" (No. 279). *Stanzas 1, 4, 5 without Amen, as solo, duet, or choir number.*

Unison Prayer:

Into thy hands, O God, we commit ourselves this day. May we remember that thine eye is upon us, that thou seest all we do, and knowest all we think, and carest for all our joys and our sorrows. We know thou dost look in tender love upon each one of us and wilt keep us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.[2]

PART I: God Hath Not Left Himself Without Witness

Hymn: "This Is My Father's World" (No. 72; *standing*).

Responsive Reading: "The New Covenant" (Twenty-third Sunday, First Reading, page 589).

Meditation: ***(Resumé only; full thought to be developed. See "Quietness and Silence," page 7.)***

We believe that God has always spoken to the hearts of men; hearing Him depends on man's ability. Jesus was attuned to God's voice. We can become attuned, also.

If Jesus needed to "go apart," how much more do we! If Jesus gained strength in solitude, so, too, can we. Why do we not "go apart"?

Being here reveals our feeling of need. How can we make the most of these few hours? 1. Let us see God as we see Him in Jesus. We cannot witness unless we know Him—through Jesus' portrait of our Father. 2. Let us hear Him—through His witnesses down through the ages, and through His voice as He speaks to our hearts. 3. Let us silence our own voices—both audible and inward. 4. He will reveal what is wrong with our lives; if we turn our lives over to Him He will remake them, filling us with re-creative, joyous fellowship with Him in a happy Day Apart.

"Life, come to me today,
This I entreat;
Flow into my hands,
Inform my lagging feet;
Shine in my eyes
And smile upon my lips;
O lift my spirit's flame from dull eclipse,
And sing within my heart that all may see
Life of my Master lived in me."

—Source unknown.

When we give ourselves to Him we may be assured that He will give Himself to us.

"When I enter into God,
All life has a meaning . . .
My fever is gone in the great quiet of God.
My troubles are but pebbles on the road,
My joys are like the everlasting hills.
So it is when I step through the gate of prayer
From time into eternity.
When I am in the consciousness of God
My fellowmen are not far off and forgotten,
But close and strangely dear.
Big things become small, and small things become great . . .
The lowly and despised is shot through with glory . . .
When I am in Him,
I am in the Kingdom of God and in the
Fatherland of my Soul."[3]

—WALTER RAUSCHENBUSCH

Unison Prayer: *(seated)*

"Speak through the living silence, O God of grace and power,
Make me feel Thy presence within this holy hour.
Speak through the day's confusion of pain and dull unrest;
Stir up the gift within me to serve Thee at my best.
Speak through the clamoring tumult of the strife and hate and fear;
Help me to hear Thy Clarion and know that Thou art near."

—Georgia Harkness

Hymn: "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (No. 533; *standing*).

Prayer: *(pause for silent prayer as indicated by dots . . .)*

Almighty God, our loving Father, we come to Thee in the quiet of this place apart, knowing that the yearning of our hearts for Thee comes in answer to Thy love for us and Thy desire for fellowship with Thy earthly children. We thank Thee that this is so. . . . When our minds wander, will Thou help us with Thy gentle firmness to bring them back to Thee? Throughout this day we would be increasingly responsive to Thy presence. . . . Although we are unworthy, yet we long to please Thee and to have deep fellowship with Thee throughout this day and all the days to come, that we may accept Thy witness in our hearts and may truly become witnesses for Thee. . . . We thank Thee for Thy acceptance of this offering of ourselves, as we pray in the spirit of Thy supreme gift to us, Thine own self in the person of Thy son, Jesus. Amen.

Period of Silence: *(A minimum of ten minutes for each Period of Silence)* closing with Hymn No. 316, sung as solo or by choir.

PART II: I Have Chosen You

Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us" (No. 233; *standing. Remain standing through Affirmation of Faith).*

Responsive Reading: "The Spirit of Faith" (Twenty-second Sunday, First Reading, page 588).

Affirmation of Faith: No. III, page 512).

[1] All hymns and the responsive readings used in the service are taken from *The Methodist Hymnal.*

[2] *The Book of Worship of The Methodist Church.*

[3] From "The Postern Gate"; used by permission of Mrs. Rauschenbusch.

Unison Prayer: *(select one from* The Methodist Hymnal).

Poem: "The World Says, But Jesus Says" *(Adapted. May be read by two voices, alternately).*

The world says Happy are the proud and the rich.
But Jesus says Happy are the humble, the poor in spirit.
The world says Happy are those who are free from sorrow.
But Jesus says Happy are the mourners, the penitent.
The world says Happy are the self-assertive and ambitious.
But Jesus says Happy are the unassuming, the self-controlled.
The world says Happy are those who have no Puritan conscience.
But Jesus says Happy are they who long earnestly for goodness.
The world says Happy are the "hard-boiled" realists.
But Jesus says Happy are the kind and merciful.
The world says Happy are the voluptuaries of pleasure.
But Jesus says Happy are the pure-minded.
The world says Happy are the heroes of war and the field of honor.
But Jesus says Happy are the peacemakers.
The world says Happy are the prudent who avoid persecution.
But Jesus says Happy are the martyrs to a great cause.
The world says Happy are they who escape slander, insults, and ridicule.
But Jesus says Happy are you who bear insults and slanders because you are Christians.

—George Walter Fiske
A Study of Jesus' Own Religion

Meditation:

Scripture, John 17:1-17. Read in full from Revised Standard Version. These are the words of Him who came to show us the Father, and who, having shown us by His own way of life, turned over to us the responsibility of bringing the world to the Father by our way of life. What kind of people did He chose to become His witnesses? Ordinary people like you and me. What kind of people did He expect them to become? What does He expect of us?

Hymn: "Dear Master, in Whose Life I See" (No. 376).

Period of Silence

Prayer of Commitment:

O Lord, Thou Spirit of holiness and truth, who dost ever move to fashion all things and all people complete and whole, in Thy presence we see how incomplete and imperfect we are. By Thy light we are ashamed of the darkness of our own hearts. We have failed to reach the fullness of life that was meant to be in us. Dear Father, forgive us. We know that Thou dost love us, in spite of our failures and weaknesses. Here and now we accept Thy love as the guiding star of our lives. Because we know that Thou art like Thy Son, Jesus Christ, we cannot but love Thee as we love Him. In this love we commit ourselves completely to Thee to witness for Thee by our way of life. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PART III: Waiting for Our Witness

Leader:

O matchless honor, all unsought,
High privilege, surpassing thought
That thou shouldst call us, Lord, to be
Linked in world-fellowship with thee!
To carry out thy wondrous plan,
To bear thy messages to man;
"In trust," with Christ's own word of grace
To every soul of human race.
—Author unknown, from A. A. Bays

Hymn: "O Master Workman of the Race" (No. 118, *standing, through Responsive Reading).*

Responsive Reading: "God's Messenger" (Forty-fifth Sunday, Second Reading, page 613).

Silent Prayer: closed by Leader (I Corinthians 6:19, 20).

Hymn: "We Would See Jesus" No. 113 *(Solo or reading).*

Unison Prayer: "O Spirit of the Living God" (Hymn No. 182).

Meditation:

Scripture, John 17:9, 17-21; II Corinthians 5:17. The world needs the witness of those whom God has made new creatures. Such witnessing would make the world over.

Period of Silence

PART IV: Go Ye Therefore

Hymn: "O Jesus, I Have Promised" (No. 226, *standing).*

Silent Prayer, closing with the "Lord's Prayer."

Scripture Reading: John 1:9-13; I Corinthians 3:21-23.

Unison Reading: Statement of Jerusalem Conference of 1938.

"We believe in a Christlike world;
We know nothing better,
We can be content with nothing less:
We cannot live without Christ
And we cannot bear to think of men living without Him.
Christ is our motive
And Christ is our end.
We must give nothing less,
We can give nothing more."

Meditation:

Scripture reading, I Corinthians 13. Using Henry Drummond's *The Greatest Thing in the World* as a guide, consider Paul's description of love as the motive of Christians to "Go ye therefore."

Period of Silence

Prayer-Hymn: "Lord, Speak to Me" (No. 460—*seated or kneeling*), closing with rereading the Statement of the Jerusalem Conference softly, in unison.

Benediction: *(standing)*

NOTE: The continuity of this service will be greatly helped by having one person to serve as Leader or Conductor, and another to develop and give all the Meditations. Only a resumé of each Meditation is given here. Therefore the line of thought indicated in each should be fully developed. Poems and other quotations given in this material may be used, or others may be chosen. It is earnestly requested that the hymns given here be those used.

Devotional leaflets from the *Spiritual Life Packet and the *Upper Room Series*,[4] as well as other tracts, Bibles, hymnbooks, and devotional books, particularly those by Dr. E. Stanley Jones, Dr. Nels S. F. Ferré, Dr. Ralph Sockman, and Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, should be made available to all for reading during the Periods of Silence. Notebooks and pencils should also be available for those who like to write down the results of their own creative silences.**

If the time of the service extends over a mealtime, it is suggested that the break come before PART III. During this meal a reader other than the two leaders already indicated might read the Sermon on the Mount, or might give a series of brief life stories of "witnesses" past and present.

All who take part in conducting any portion of the service should be thoroughly familiar with their responsibilities and their material, and should be on hand well in advance of the time of opening the service. This Day Apart should (and can) be a time of joyous participation, rest, relaxation, and re-creative quiet in God's presence, among Christian friends. May the loving spirit of each of us be re-created because of this day together!

Reprints are available. See back cover.

* Available from Literature Headquarters, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati 37, Ohio; or Distributing Offices.

[4] The Upper Room, 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville 4, Tennessee.

Our World—My Witness

By PREMALATHA SHANTHAPPA

This talk was given at the sixth annual conference of new and furloughed missionaries held last June in Greencastle, Indiana.

Miss Shanthappa, teacher from Bidar, Hyderabad, India, is now studying nutrition at Syracuse University. Recently she was elected to membership in Pi Lambda Theta, national honorary society.

HAVING been asked to tell what it has meant for me to be a Crusade Scholar in the United States, I have selected just a few of the many things that I have appreciated. There are many others which have impressed me. Some experiences have touched me deeply and I have learned valuable lessons.

I have always appreciated the friendly attitude of the people. Wherever I go, people are warm and congenial. This friendliness is essential in promoting understanding.

One thing has left a deep impression on my mind, and that is the "dignity of labor." Upon arriving in New York, wherever I went I found women working. I wondered where the men were, but was told that they also work. When I went to the university, I had a strange experience. The janitor, to whom I had been talking the previous day, was in my class. I could not understand how one could be a janitor as well as a student. Later on I discovered that a girl may be a waitress at night, and a student in the daytime.

There is no end to acquiring knowledge. I remember clearly the day that I wore my cap and gown. I thought I knew everything in this world, but now it makes me humble to think how little I know. No one is ever too old or too young to learn. Acquisition of knowledge is not only through books, but comes through contact with people and through experience.

My stay in the United States has given new meaning to old ideas. I had heard, read, and studied about the creative power of God, but I never before realized its importance and the grandeur of such power. Last fall, the leaves changed color. When I went out in the countryside, I saw the mass of colors. After a few weeks, the leaves dropped and the scenery was so dull. But one morning in November I woke up and looked through my window. To my surprise, the whole place was covered with pure, soft, white snow. I was thrilled and for a moment had the curiosity of a child. I wanted to touch, taste, and smell the snow.

After several months, the snow disappeared. Everything seemed dead, but one day (as if someone had ordered it), leaves and flowers sprang up. The sun was shining! Spring had come! And before long we were enjoying the warm sunshine and shade of the dark green trees. To me the changing of seasons was like the changing of the scenes in a pageant. Who could be a greater producer and conductor of a pageant of this kind!

Another idea acquired new meaning. Since childhood, I had been taught that there is one God. I attended an international gathering, with 260 other students. When the dean said, "We are all one and there is just one God," I looked around and suddenly realized how true that is. Since then when I sing "In Christ There Is No East or West" or when I repeat "Our Father," the words convey real meaning. Being a Crusade Scholar has made me grateful, grateful to God.

Another thing has touched me deeply. It may sound funny to some of you when I say that I felt sad every Wednesday to see the truck carry away the trash cans. As I looked at the empty cans, bottles, papers, and magazines, I remembered how I faithfully collected old envelopes to be used in the hospital. How often I have wished for a magic carpet to send all the discarded things to India! I realize the numerous needs of my country. I know that my people lead simple lives, but those who know Christ lead beautiful lives.

I have been very happy to tell others that I am a Christian. There is an Indian proverb which says that in order to test whether the pat of rice is cooked, one tests one grain or a few grains. The position of the Crusade Scholars is like that grain of rice. People here cannot see all our people, and those who come in contact with us judge the people of India by our standards. I have asked myself, "Am I a true Christian? Am I a true witness?"

I found these lines on a church bulletin: "You have received so much out of this world; what are you going to put into it?" That is my challenge and this is my prayer: "Lead me into the channel where I am fit to work."

WEEK OF DEDICATION PROJECTS—1952

Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief

(20 per cent)

Emergency relief for Methodists in Europe and Asia, especially India and Korea; aid to orphanages; food, medicines, and hospital supplies.

Foreign Missions Projects

(55 per cent)

Crusade Scholarships
Casa Materna Orphanage (Italy)
Church and hospital reconstruction (Germany)
Knox Memorial Church (Philippines)
Leonard Theological College (India)
Iquique School (Chile)
Ganta Hospital (Liberia)

Home Missions Projects

(25 per cent)

First Methodist Church, Honolulu, Hawaii, new church building
Mexican Church, Robstown, Texas, new building
Fairbanks, Alaska, new church building
El Paso, Texas, Western District, parsonage
Mobile Units for Mission Conferences
Puerto Rico Youth Center
Indian Mission Church, Oklahoma City
Japanese Church, Berkeley, California, new church building
Chinese Church, Stockton, California, new church building
Good Shepherd Center building, Chattanooga, Tennessee

You May Quote Me!

Week of Dedication

By MRS. FRANK G. BROOKS
President of the Woman's Division of Christian Service

For the fourth year I call the women of Methodism to pray and to share in the Week of Dedication of The Methodist Church! We women are, first of all, members of The Methodist Church. Our primary responsibility is to our church. As *individuals*, we support its program and its projects; we have confidence in its leaders—in the wise, creative leadership of pastors, district superintendents, and bishops.

Once again the rallying cry for the week of March 9-16 is "We have an altar." Methodist men, women, and children will be called by their pastors to deeper consecration and to a renewal of their commitment to Christ.

For these eight days, throughout Methodism, services of prayer and dedication will be held for the purpose of bringing new life and power to each individual member and to the whole church. Because we believe in the mission of The Methodist Church to the world, we will lay our gifts on the altar.

The projects (see page 10), which have been chosen to receive funds from the 1952 Week of Dedication offering, are significant. To one of them — Crusade Scholarships — I call your special attention.

"Crusade Scholarship" is no longer just a name to Methodist women, for Crusade Scholars are their friends. Hundreds of women know capable and charming Helen Hasler from Switzerland, now serving as a missionary of the Woman's Division in North Africa. They remember vivacious Akilla Zaidi, an Arabian girl reared in the Gamble Girls' Home in Constantine, Algeria, a project of the Woman's Division. Miss Zaidi studied at Scarritt College, and is now back in North Africa, at Il Maten, where she is principal of the only Methodist school in that country.

Other Methodist women recall Pauline Kim, granddaughter of the first Bible woman in Pyeng Yang, Korea. Miss Kim is now teaching in Ewha University (in exile), temporarily established in Pusan, Korea. Sunshine Berggreen (now Mrs. Henry Henne) of Norway is a friend of many Methodist women. She is sharing her advantages with the church in Bergen, Norway. No one who has felt the spiritual influence of Violeta Cavallero of Uruguay can ever forget her.

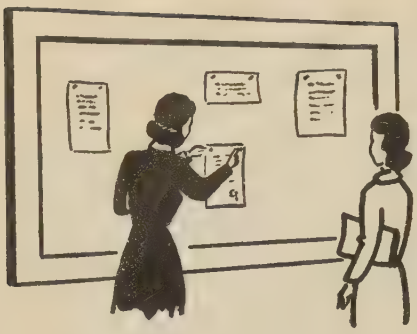
In the last six years more than 600 persons have received crusade scholarships. One half of these are women, for the Woman's Division of Christian Service shares in the funds allotted to the Crusade Scholarship Committee. The president of the Woman's Division and Miss Sallie Lou MacKinnon, an executive secretary, are members of the committee which grants the scholarships.

Crusade Scholars have studied in nearly 100 educational and specialized institutions in the United States and abroad. Today, these men and women are in 64 different countries. They are serving as missionaries, physicians, nurses, teachers; more than 50 types of training have been pursued.

In 1952, from the Week of Dedication offering, $150,000.00 will be allocated to the Crusade Scholarship Committee. As of January 1, 1952, there are 135 students on Crusade Scholarships in 27 schools and 9 hospitals. The present group represents 25 countries.

Crusade Scholars are sometimes called "Reciprocal Missionaries" of The Methodist Church. Only as each Methodist woman lays on the altar a sacrificial gift for the Week of Dedication fund, will she be privileged to have a share in furthering the education of capable women who truly are reciprocal missionaries.

Crusade Scholars at De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, June 1951, with Mrs. Florence Cox, director. *Front row, second from left:* Mrs. So Iwai (see January issue, p. 8); *second row, fourth from right:* Premalatha Shanthappa (see p. 10); *third row, second from right:* Clea Machado (see p. 35)



Recent Arrivals From—

India: Miss Frances Johnson, 6315 King Ave., Bell, California.

Japan: Miss Margery L. Mayer, 3132 Hopewell Place, Toledo, Ohio.

Recent Sailings For—

Africa:

Belgian Congo, Southern Conference: Misses Mabel Dorrell, R.N., Joan Warneker (A-3).

Liberia: Miss Uniola Adams, R.N. (transferred from China).

Southern Rhodesia: Dr. Clara Nutting (transferred from China).

India: Miss Mary Eide.

Pakistan: Miss Martha Boss.

In Memoriam

Deaconess Bessie Allen, **Hendersonville, North Carolina, was consecrated as a deaconess in 1909 under the Woman's Missionary Council and was appointed to Wesley House, Nashville, Tennessee, where she served thirteen years. Miss Allen retired in 1930. She passed away on December 11, 1951.**

Deaconess Mary Ora Durham, **an emeritus deaconess under the plan of the former Woman's Missionary Council, retired in 1945 following thirty-four years of active deaconess service at Bethlehem House, Memphis, Tennessee. She was a member of the faculty of Scarritt College for Christian Workers, Nashville, Tennessee, for nineteen years. Through her devotion to the Christian cause and her understanding of youth, she influenced numbers of young women to choose Christian work as a career. Through her knowledge and understanding of mission work in cities and her achievements in that field, she was a successful interpreter of the missionary enterprise. Miss Durham passed away suddenly on November 30, 1951, in Danville, Kentucky.**

Deaconess Florence H. Hill **retired in 1936 because of health reasons following twenty-three years of service as parish deaconess in Baltimore, Maryland. She served Patterson and Boundary Avenue Methodist Churches from 1911 to 1928, and Twenty-fourth Street and Govans Churches from 1928-1934. Miss Hill passed away at the home of her sister, Mrs. Helen Taylor of Baltimore, on November 15, 1951.**

Africa

From every part of Africa come messages emphasizing the importance of the training of women and girls in the building of the church and a new society. The following are excerpts from a letter from *Mutambara, Southern Rhodesia:* "We have just been having our final examinations. The Standard Six (eighth grade) girls had a very interesting type of examination in industrial work. We have but twelve girls in that, our highest grade. We divided them into two groups. Then they drew slips to see which would do Test I and which Test II. The tests were as follows:

"Test I: Wash and iron a rayon petticoat.
Make a simple green salad.
Prepare a garden bed to plant tomatoes.
Begin a fibre mat and work at it for 20 minutes.

"Test II: Wash and iron an embroidered teacloth.
Make plain biscuits.
Clean a window.
Take someone's temperature.

"I wish you might have seen the girls as they dashed from one part of the test to another. They were judged on the correct order of work, neatness, and finishing on time. Two hours were allotted for the entire test.

"These same girls during the year had the project in their Mothercraft class of making a baby bed and a complete layette. We took an old soap box down to the carpenter's shop, and there the girls took hammer, saw, and nails, and proceeded to make a small bed under the direction of our carpenter. Afterwards they painted the bed, lined it, made a pillow for a mattress, and stuffed it with the tops of a soft red grass which we have. Then they sewed the sheets, spread, and mosquito net for the bed. The girls are buying the various things which they have made, to take home with them when they go for the holiday.

"I would like to tell you about one of our youngest girls in the boarding department. She is Maude Ginzwendo, thirteen years of age. Last year she started school here in Standard Three, but had to drop out, for she was very ill with typhoid fever. This year, however, she began school again and has been very well throughout the year. She comes from a very poor home. Her father is a drunkard who has done nothing to educate his family of many children. The mother is a very strong Christian woman. Often she has not been able to bring money to pay the fees for her children, so that gifts from others have had to help her. Yet again and again she brings some small gift from her field or garden to show her thankfulness for all she and her children have received.

"Recently there was some trouble with the chief and his councilors. All the people were forbidden to come to the church for a time. There was great fear amongst the people of witchcraft if they disobeyed. When our quarterly conference was held, however, about two o'clock in the morning there was a knock on the superintendent's door; and there was this woman with her small quarterly offering for the church. She thrust it into the superintendent's hand and fled into the darkness. We are glad that the trouble is now over and the people have had the courage to come back to the church. But we shall never forget the wee gift brought in the small hours of the morning."

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Bureau of Educational Institutions

Dedications

The Methodist Student House, Tallahassee, Florida — Adjoining the campus of Florida State University at Tallahassee stands the beautiful new building which serves as a center for all the activities of Methodist students. The present structure of the Methodist Student House was completed in the fall of 1950 and dedicated on October 10, 1951. Those participating in the dedication service were Bishop Roy H. Short, Mrs. Walter H. Beckham of Miami, Florida, president of Florida Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, Deaconess Alpharetta Leeper, director of the Student House, and Miss Muriel Day, executive secretary of the Bureau of Educational Institutions of the Woman's Division.

Ann Clayton, president of Methodist Student Activities, writes: "Our Methodist Student House has become one of the most significant parts of our lives. It is a combination of church and home, and takes a prominent place in our activities, plans, and prayers. Without it our college life would not be the same. We lead and participate in inspirational worship services; the Wesley Players find the new stage and dressing rooms make their productions more effective; we find the new study lounge a quiet place in which to work; and our patio and spacious lawn are wonderful for outdoor activities."

National College for Christian Workers, Kansas City, Missouri— A memorial which will live forever in the hearts of those who thrill to its music is the new Möller organ in the Anna E. Kresge Chapel which was dedicated October 21, 1951. The organ was given in memory of the late Mrs. Kresge by Mr. Stanley Kresge of Detroit, Michigan, Mr. Howard Kresge of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, Mrs. Ruth Head and Mrs. Catherine Murphy of New York City, and Mrs. Anna K. Watling of Beverly Hills, California, sons and daughters of Mrs. Kresge. The organ was built especially for the chapel, the acoustics of which are rated as perfect by music critics.

Named to head the new department of church music is Henry Kerr Williams, well known to Kansas citizens for his distinguished service as director of the Kansas City Philharmonic chorus and assistant director of the Philharmonic orchestra. Professor of piano is Maurine K. Lovely who was formerly a member of the faculty at Stratford College in Danville, Virginia. Professor of organ is Richard J. Helms, who is minister of music at the Second Presbyterian Church in Kansas City.

The installation of the Möller organ, the purchase of a new grand piano, a Stromberg-Carlson phonograph with a three-speed record changer, new desks, bookcases, chests, and chairs for use in the studios have given National College the best equipment necessary for the development of this department.

India

Miss Kathleen A. Norris, a public health nurse in the *Vellore Christian Medical College*, writes: "In South India, four years have passed with no monsoons, with crop failures and unemployment. How many Americans would live on one or two meals a day consisting of rice and water, or perhaps eat only every two days? The UNICEF, American Red Cross milk, and CARE packages have saved many lives. When we were distributing milk to the children, before we could pick up little chunks of dry milk, which was beyond reconstituting and which children eat like candy, a little boy had grabbed them off the floor and put them in his mouth. We have had four messengers' families develop tuberculosis. They have been practically kept alive on CARE packages and Red Cross milk, plus vitamin pills.

"This year at the Vellore Hospital, new private rooms have been opened which are booked for weeks ahead. The income from these patients, who come from all over India, Ceylon, and Burma, helps with the maintenance. The operating room has been enlarged and the X-ray department is being improved. A leprosy rehabilitation center, with full-time orthopedist, two physiotherapists, a social worker, and a research worker, is now ministering to the leprosy patients. A colony for rehabilitation has been started. Chest surgery cases now have a separate ward.

"Kavanur, rural public health unit, has a full-time medical officer. We hope to open a child welfare center, by request of the people, within the next few weeks and will use the Panchayat Board's office for the clinic until this Panchayat president and his family build a clinic in memory of their mother.

"The district board director visited this village a few weeks ago. One old man said to him, 'These nurses have taught my wife and these village women to be nurses.' I think that it was the nicest compliment that our nurse-pharmacist, his wife, and the students could have been paid."

Padma Radiah, a Crusade Scholar who has been studying at Northwestern University, has just written: "The other day I was initiated into the membership of Alpha Zeta of Pi Lambda Theta of education. The ceremony was quite impressive. I was given a key after being initiated. I feel so humble about the privilege of becoming a member. I hope to keep up the ideals of outstanding scholarship wherever I go."

Bureau of Town and Country

Dedication

Metcalfe Community Center, Leisenring No. 3, Pennsylvania— High in the mountains of southwestern Pennsylvania, in the coke region around Uniontown, stands a

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Wesley House, Key West, Florida. See story of the dedication on page 15

new community center building in the mining village known as Leisenring No. 3. It honors the name of Mrs. Harold S. Metcalfe of Pittsburgh, former bureau secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, first Pittsburgh Conference president and former Northeastern Jurisdiction president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

On the brilliant autumn afternoon of Saturday, October 6, 1951, this building was formally dedicated in the presence of several hundred friends of all ages from far and near, officials of the church, and folk who had grown up in the immediate vicinity. Deaconess Virginia I. Tague, superintendent, presided, and there was singing by the Girls' Ensemble from the Center. The dedicatory address was delivered by Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke of the Pittsburgh Area. Mrs. David M. Ensell, representative of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, and Mrs. Forrest A. Goodrich, representative from the Northeastern Jurisdiction Woman's Society, took part in the program, along with ministers and conference representatives. Following the impressive service, the group was invited to inspect the building and share in an hour of fellowship and refreshment.

On the first floor are located the living quarters for the staff, consisting of five rooms and bath. One of the bedrooms, furnished by the Pittsburgh Methodist Girls' Club and Deaconess Home, is a memorial to Mrs. George H. Alexander, who had given years of service to the women's work of Pittsburgh Conference. On this floor, also, there is an office, a well-equipped and substantial library, a crafts room, and a large room for club and social purposes. On the lower floor is a multiple-purpose room which can be used for worship, recreation, dining, and assembly. Adjoining this room is a service kitchen, shower, lavatory, furnace room, and garage.

The library is a memorial to Mrs. Warren E. Reddick, the gift of her husband. Mrs. Reddick was an active worker in the women's organizations of Sheraden Methodist Church, Sheraden, Pennsylvania.

The story back of the Leisenring No. 3 community center involves an ever-widening circle of influence affecting human lives. The very name, community center, in itself tells a story and brings a heartening picture of a neighborhood interest, the basic purpose of which is social service and self-improvement in body, mind, and spirit. The story of Metcalfe Community Center is a continued one which the Hand of the Future will write, as these who serve in the name of Christ carry on the work of the Kingdom.—Marie Hunter Dawson

Japan

Miss Mary Finch, writing of the Christian leadership training program in our high school in *Fukuoka, Japan,* says: "We are conducting five Sunday schools in various parts of this city of 400,000 people. Our students go in groups to four or five non-Christian areas and sit down on the floors of small, humble homes with forty or fifty wiggly little children crowded around them listening to the old, old story of Jesus and his love. As supervisor and friend, I go as often as I can. Recently we were in an open shop where people come and go constantly. As we sang 'Jesus Loves Me,' the shoppers stopped to listen and stare. One weary mother untied the broad band that held the baby on her back and, letting the baby toddle around alone, joined us in the crowded circle on the floor, listening eagerly to the Christian message. We are trying to find a bigger and better place for this Sunday school. We may be able to get the room over the fire station; it is the only public room in the area."

Miss Gay Hendrixson, J-3 of *Nagasaki, Japan,* says that by far the richest and most meaningful experience of her first summer in Japan was the opportunity to participate in one of the five international work camps. Twenty-five young people from Japan, Korea, Okinawa, and America lived together in a Christian social center. Up at 5:30 each morning, they had worship and breakfast and then jumped into a truck that took them to the outskirts of the city where repatriated families, mostly from Manchuria, live. Miss Hendrixson says, "There we received our picks and shovels and worked with the people of the community to clean drainage ditches, and improve roads that were so bad that often during the rainy season the children had to wade through mud up to their knees to get to school." Then she told of the mothers who worked all day in the hot sunshine with babies tied to their backs; of the Korean boy who worked hardest of all, always cheering others while his own heart was troubled about his family in war-torn Korea; of the Japanese student whose legs were covered with insect bites, but who wore shorts without complaint as he had no money to buy long pants; of the hundreds of half-naked, ill-fed children who came running eagerly to hear the stories and learn the songs which we taught them each afternoon; of the people of the community who gathered with tears in their eyes to thank them. She concluded, "Dur-

ing the four weeks we were together—people of different races, colors, countries, languages, and backgrounds—we found that by serving the same Master and sharing His love with others, we were enabled to overcome all differences."

Bureau of Urban Work

Dedication

Wesley Community House, Key West, Florida—Many local people and out-of-town guests attended the dedicatory service of the new building known as Wesley House in Key West, which took place November 18, 1951. Mrs. Walter H. Beckham of Miami, president of the Florida Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, presided. Other guests from Miami included Mrs. David Thurman, president; Mrs. A. T. Pearce, secretary of Promotion; Mrs. Alfred Taylor, treasurer; and Mrs. Chester Salb, secretary of Supply Work of Miami District. Mrs. E. B. White of Jacksonville, Florida, represented the Woman's Division of Christian Service and presented the building for the act of dedication. Rev. Don Cooke of Miami, superintendent of Miami District, gave the message of dedication. A statement as to the purpose and planning of such a community house was made by Mrs. Mabel Garrett Wagner, executive secretary of the Bureau of Urban Work; Miss Arlene Merrit, head resident, made a brief statement of gratitude to the community for their cooperation. Other local Methodists also took part in the occasion.

The main features of the new building are the large kindergarten room, clubroom, and woodwork and craft shop, where boys and girls may feel at home and spread out as they work and play; a large community kitchen and another sizable room which can be used as a dining room. The building also houses an attractive and comfortable apartment for the workers.

People of all classes and creeds mingle freely at Wesley Community House in work and play. All clubs have open membership and are purely voluntary. This provides a splendid opportunity for strengthening interpersonal relationships and learning how to live in a democracy.

This dedication was an important event in the history of Wesley Community House in Key West, and its service to the community will be strengthened anew by the beautiful new building, its workers, and the helpful hearts and hands of its many friends.

Philippines

In Miss Ruth Atkins' report of 1951 Vacation Bible Schools in North Philippines Conference, we find that in eighty-one schools held, there was an enrollment of 3,086, with 313 decisions for Christ and 132 family altars started. The children's offering amounted to 88.65 pesos, about which she says, "The offering from the children was given very freely, and in some instances additional amounts were given by others when they learned of the plan to help children in Korea. Some children realized the blessing of giving up something they would have enjoyed, in order to send comfort to others."

Miss Eleanor Hanna, writing of a follow-up of Caravaning in the Philippines, says, "The Caravaners themselves are continuing to prove helpful as officers of the Youth Fellowship work. A seminary student who served as the recreation commission leader of the Caravan writes, 'It was the Caravan work that opened my eyes to broader visions of the Christian ministry. It has made me love to work in rural areas.' Another Caravaner writes, 'May I be a Caravaner next year? The experiences of last summer opened to me a way I could not lose and brought me closer to God; it has led me to the work that I'll do for Him.' "

Bureau of Social Welfare

Thoburn Terrace, Alhambra, California — Thoburn Terrace is happy to report that the remodeling of the dining room and kitchen, plus the addition of a new pastry pantry and breakfast room, is now completed. Everyone is grateful for all that has been done to make the dining room adequate for the needs of the family, and its change of color scheme gives all a real lift. We are most grateful, also, for the cash gifts and cash for Supply Work which have been received. It has been a privilege to share the patio during the past summer with several Woman's Societies of Christian Service, who came to hold their meetings and to get better acquainted with the family. — F. Pearl Mason, *Superintendent*

Latin America

Lima High School, Lima, Peru— Last year we initiated a Religion-

Supply Work Gift. An Indian patient at Maynard-MacDougall Memorial Hospital, Nome, Alaska, enjoying a new wheel chair donated by the Woman's Society of Manistee, Michigan

in-Life Week. There were special assemblies and time for personal interviews with the student body and a series of lectures for the public in the evening. An outgrowth of this Religion-in-Life Week was a sort of club which calls itself Christian Fellowship. They meet together each Friday after school for a devotional time to aid them in their Christian faith.

A statement made to our former director, Gertrude Hanks, much loved by the people of Peru, at the time of the construction of our building, seems symbolic. It concerned the amount of steel called for by the contract. The engineer in charge felt the amount could be reduced, thus cutting the cost. This being earthquake country, Miss Hanks insisted that the full amount called for be included. The man's reply was, "Lady, when every other building in Peru is on the ground, Lima High School will still be standing." That's what we would like to say about Lima High School girls, too. No matter what storms of life may come, they have built such a friendship with Christ that they will be able to weather them.

Bureau of Medical Work

Seward Sanatorium, Bartlett, Alaska—Dr. Francis J. Phillips, medical director, has paid the following tribute to the volunteer workers who have completed their first year's work at the sanatorium: "The volunteer workers have completed a year of successful service. Many patients have been cheered. Numerous kindly services have been rendered. Library books and magazines have been distributed, and special art lessons have been given. Lessons in mathematics, shorthand, and typing have been supervised. The treatment of tuberculosis is no longer a matter of bed rest alone. It must be augmented with as many of the normal social requirements of people as possible. The volunteer workers are a link with the people outside, and the service given by them is a real one. We acknowledge this with appreciation to the women of Seward who have helped with unstinted generosity."

Korea Refugee Camps

The refugee camps in Korea are "terrible beyond description," reports Miss Margaret Billingsley, executive secretary for Korea, who recently visited mission stations and relief centers in that land.

"The very worst possible conditions exist," she says. "People have constructed little shelters of scraps of lumber, and in many cases just paper. There are long sheds made of straw mats with hundreds of people living in each. Children swarm in muddy passageways—dirt and filth in every place. It looks like a hopeless situation. But as we drove away we spied a little church with a cross, standing on a hill above the camp. Built by refugees, it is a symbol of hope and faith. Back in the city we went through large areas where refugees have built little box houses jammed close together. Here, too, we came upon a chapel, clean and painted. Christian faith triumphs over all!

"We had no Methodist property or mission work in the Pusan area. Recently we bought a Japanese-style house. The Woman's Division is purchasing a house for a community center and living quarters for workers. The Seminary has acquired a Korean home which serves as offices and living quarters for faculty members and women students, and a barracks of two rooms has been erected. Classes are held there; men students sleep there. Thrown together, these rooms make the Seminary chapel. Ewha University has thirteen large and several small buildings on a terraced hillside in Pusan. They are built of board walls, tent roofs, and dirt floors. But 650 girls are happy to be able to study, and Dr. Helen Kim says, 'We will do the best we can.' "

Crusade Scholar an Inspiration

Miss Leela Jacob, a schoolteacher of Hyderabad, South India, and a *Crusade Scholar* pursuing advanced studies in Syracuse University, has been hailed by the university's student body as "a living example of Christian courage, fortitude, and radiance."

In February, 1951, while in a dormitory at the university, Miss Jacob's flowing Indian *sari* caught in an electric heater, and she was almost instantly enveloped in flames. The lower part of her body was badly burned, and she was confined to a hospital in Syracuse until November. Six skin graftings and an operation were required to heal the burned area of her body. Now she is back in classes again.

But the Christian spirit and bravery with which she endured months of pain, in a hospital in an alien land, was a source of deep inspiration to all who heard of her. The newspapers of Syracuse and of the East told her story. Hundreds of students visited her. She had letters from unknown persons from all parts of the country, and visits from many strangers from distant places. Recently a Syracuse family made it possible for her to talk by phone with her father in Hyderabad, India, where he is a Methodist district superintendent.

Bataan Memorial Methodist Hospital

For nearly forty years, the women of The Methodist Church owned and operated a sanatorium for the care of tubercular patients in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The treatment of this disease changed so materially during that time that new facilities and new procedures made it imperative to erect a new building. The former site was sold and the money put into a building fund. Property located in a quiet, beautiful section of the city was given to the Woman's Division. So eager were the people of Albuquerque for the necessary additional hospital beds that they launched a financial campaign to raise the large amount of money needed for the construction of such a hospital. Approximately two-thirds of the entire cost has been raised and added to the building fund as a gift to the Woman's Division. This beautiful building, a memorial to the hundreds of New Mexico soldiers who died that we might live, will soon be completed and dedicated for service.

Christian Workers' Fellowship

By A. RUTH KERN

SPONSORED by the New Mexico Conference Deaconess Association, the first Annual Christian Workers' Fellowship of the New Mexico and Rio Grande Conferences was held during the 1951 Thanksgiving weekend at Rose Gregory Houchen Settlement House, El Paso, Texas.

This was the realization of a dream that began at the 1950 May meeting of the Deaconess Association. Believing that noncommissioned workers, too, should have an opportunity for fellowship, the sharing of experiences, and exchanging of ideas, it was proposed that all workers, deaconesses, and employed workers be more closely knit into one fellowship organization. Further plans were made at the 1951 May meeting.

The purpose of this interracial fellowship was stated: To challenge young people with the opportunities for professional service in The Methodist Church and to give to persons who work for The Methodist Church, in a professional capacity, an opportunity to become acquainted and share experiences as well as to experience the challenge and inspiration of spending time with others who are working for the same goals.

At the Fellowship Banquet on Friday evening, Miss Ruth Emory, a teacher at Harwood Girls' School, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and president of the New Mexico Conference Deaconess Association, presided. The banquet speaker was Dr. Walter Rabb Willis, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, El Paso, who gave a very challenging message. On Saturday morning Lloyd Shyrock, representing the MYF of Asbury Methodist Church, El Paso, led the meditation. This was followed by a panel discussion —Fellowship of Exploration in the Field of Christian Service. Members of the panel were: Mr. W. H. Mawson, former missionary to India, chairman; Miss Cathryn Crissey, teacher; Rev. Carl Lawson, minister; Miss Eloise Richardson, director of Christian Education; Miss Angie Cox, social worker and secretary-treasurer of the New Mexico Conference Deaconess Association; and Miss Alicia Ortiz, nurse. Each told how he or she happened to choose full-time Christian service. There were handcraft exhibits and photographs showing work in various areas. The Harwood Girls' School double quintet under the direction of Miss Emory furnished special music throughout the Fellowship meetings.

The Deaconess Association had a business meeting during a luncheon on Saturday noon. It was decided that the general group should carry on with the deaconesses as a group within a group.

Rev. E. G. Watts, pastor of Asbury Church, led the Fellowship in a closing inspiration service.

The Church Workers' Fellowship adjourned on Saturday afternoon with the unanimous opinion that the meetings had been a success.

Among the seventy-two registrants were the following officers of the New Mexico Conference: Mrs. M. L. Norris, president; Mrs. C. L. Stretch, secretary of Promotion; Mrs. A. E. Lang, secretary of Missionary Education and Service; Mrs. E. F. Jonle, secretary of Spiritual Life; Mrs. L. L. Evans, secretary of Status of Women.

(Below) **Harwood Girls' School Double Quintette and their director, Miss Ruth Emory, in the Houchen Settlement living room**

(Above) **Miss Ruth Emory, president of the New Mexico Conference Deaconess Association, and Mrs. M. L. Norris, president of the New Mexico Conference Woman's Society, pause for an informal chat in the living room of Rose Gregory Houchen Settlement House, El Paso, Texas**

Circles WORSHIP AND PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

Fruit of the Spirit—Patience

By MRS. AMPARO L. TORRES

"In Your Patience Possess Ye Your Souls"

HYMN: "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee" (*The Methodist Hymnal*, No. 259).

MEDITATION: The title for our meditation is taken from the twenty-first chapter of Luke. In the sixth chapter of the Epistle to the Hebrews, we read: "so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises." [1]

In meditating on these passages we clearly see that we have the answer to our present-day situation.

We live in a day of speed, constant rush, worry, and fear. But Jesus said: "In your patience possess ye your souls." And in Psalms we read: "Be still and know that I am God." All this can be summed up in the word *Patience*.

Sometimes it takes years for us to see the result and fruit of our labor. I recall an incident which a blind man who is a member of our church once told me. "In 1870, a colporteur came to Laredo, Texas, selling Bibles. He worked under many handicaps, for he did not know the Spanish language; his luggage had to be carried by mule, and he met staunch opposition from the Catholic fanatics. He worked for six weeks and sold only four Bibles. One of these Bibles was sold to the mother of the man who related the incident. Another Bible was sold to a man who could not read, but God used him to ask others to read for him. The other two Bibles were sold to two other families. Sutherland, the colporteur, came back nineteen years later and found rich fruit of his labor."

When we are tempted to be fearful or lose our patience, let us try to hear the voice of Jesus saying: "Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?" And we should answer with the Psalmist: "In God have I put my trust, I will not be afraid."

PRAYER ON TRUST: Dear God, in whom we trust, we thank Thee that we live in a country where freedom is the way of life, and that we can believe in Thee and worship Thee in the manner of our choice without fear. In the four short words printed on our coins, "In God We Trust," we make ourselves known to the other peoples of the world as a God-believing nation. We do thank Thee for the vision Thou hast granted us. Help us to remember that vision without action is weakness, and that strength and power follow only when we do Thy will.

Grant that we may be alert at all times, not only to the privileges of our citizenship but also to its responsibilities. We do acknowledge great privileges and grave responsibilities.

Again, we do thank Thee for the faith that founded this nation upon the principle, "In God We Trust." Amen. (Clare Coulter Wolf, *First Methodist Church, Lincoln, Nebraska*)

PRAYER FOR PATIENCE *(by a member)*

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: Highlight the Annual Meeting, pages 3-5, relating it to the activities of the local society. Make posters of the pictures; read the items by Mrs. J. N. Rodeheaver, recording secretary; refer to the recommendations of the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, pages 26-28.

Review the article, "Round-Up of Home Missions," in the March issue of WORLD OUTLOOK.

[1] *The Revised Standard Version of the New Testament*. Used by permission of the International Council of Religious Education.

Raymond J. Smith, Muskegon, Michigan

Worship center for a Quiet Day or a Retreat by Vivian Alice Loberg. Oriental drapery; Sallman's "Head of Christ"; ivy plant with leaves falling across Bible opened to the 91st Psalm; single tall white candle, symbolic of "Jesus, the Light of the world"

MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

The caption under the picture on page 17 of the January issue incorrectly classifies three of the missionaries:

Miss Marcia Ball is a regular missionary, commissioned in January.

Miss Mabel Dorrell is a regular missionary who sailed in October.

Miss Alice Hitchcock is a candidate for regular missionary service.

In the December issue, Miss Theodora Bryce, mentioned on page 37, is a full-time missionary, not an I-3.

AMERICAS!

Tune: "America, the Beautiful"

We sing about America and mean our native land,
Forgetful of Americas south of the Rio Grande.
Americas! Americas! True neighbors may we be;
God grant our lands may find a peace
And lasting liberty.

We sing "God bless America," but mean the U. S. A.,
Forgetful of America down Argentina way.
Americas! Americas! True brothers may we be,
Our Father God, our Saviour Christ,
And all our people free!

—Mrs. H. L. Poffenberger
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

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MRS. ELOISE A. WOOLEVER,

Executive Secretary, Woman's Section, Division of Education and Cultivation

"WEEKS AND MONTHS OF PLANNING"—BUT WORTH IT!

The Progressive Visitation plan has met with enthusiastic response in all types of localities. It has taken careful thought and continued hard work; but the results seem far to outweigh these, in retrospect. We wish *all* societies could be written up; but since that is impossible, one society which carried out the plan in detail and sent pictures of the various steps of its procedure may be more or less representative of the effort put forth by thousands of others.

The society illustrated is St. Paul's, Springfield, Missouri, in the Southwest Missouri Conference. Mrs. W. L. Perryman, president of the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, is the wife of the pastor of St. Paul's.

Mrs. Perryman says,

"Even more important than the number of new members was the fellowship of the afternoon. Many women met their neighbors for the first time. Many hearts, especially of older people, were warmed by the call and the attention given them. Many have asked that we do it every year.

"Hostesses are planning to keep in touch with members of their Links throughout the year, especially the new members and the ones interested but not yet members. Our Visitation was 100 per cent—every woman church member contacted.

"May we thank you for this Visitation Plan?"

John R. McGuire, Springfield, Mo.

Mrs. Perryman welcomed members of her Link at her home, the parsonage of St. Paul's Church

John R. McGuire, Springfield, Mo

The local secretary of Promotion and the acting president located each family of the church membership on a large city map, with a numbered thumbtack. The city was divided into seventeen zones, with a "major" from the membership committee in charge of each, responsible for securing the necessary hostesses

John R. McGuire, Springfield, Mo.

On the Day of Visitation it rained, but the women went visiting anyway

John R. McGuire, Springfield, Mo

A new member (serving the cookies) entertained a Link. The Results Meeting, though postponed a week due to a sixteen-inch snowfall, was a great success. Fifty new members signed the membership book

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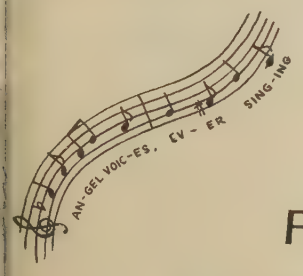

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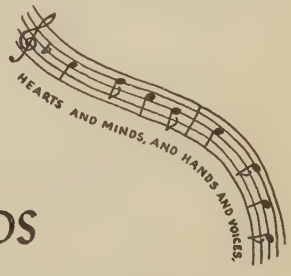
LET US GIVE THANKS

For the increased number **of women engaged in regular study since the Advance began:**

Conference Schools and Institutes have increased from 73 to 94, and the attendance at them from 10,363 to 19,545.

The number of women meeting the requirements of the Leadership Training Department for credit has increased from 3,238 to 8,429.

For horizons extended **through this study.**

For a quickened sense of kinship, **resulting from this wider knowledge.**

THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S

By Eddie Kurtz

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THE *WORLD* IS THE LORD'S?
THE RUSSIANS?
THE JEWS?
THE CHINESE REDS?
THE ARABS?
THE TEEMING MILLIONS OF INDIA?
THE COUNTLESS HUNGRY OF ASIA?
THE AGENTS OF INTRIGUE IN VIENNA?
THE POLITICIANS IN WASHINGTON?
THE STRIKERS AND THE RIOTERS?
THE PEOPLE NEXT DOOR?
THE WORLD—
AND THEY THAT DWELL THEREIN?????????

Why, the world is full of stony ground
And barren spots where no good seems to grow. . . .
But even the deserts bloom each year
And arid wastes have been made lush and green
When they were watered from above
Or
By man's ingenuity.

By man's . . . ingenuity. . . .
Can the barren spots of mankind be made to bloom
and bear?
Can the little seed of love within our hearts
Be scattered far and wide?
And after being scattered, will it thrive?

"ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING SUBJECTS WE HAVE STUDIED"

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Virginia Avenue Methodist Church, Bluefield, Virginia, used the book, *The Family—A Christian's Concern,* as a church-wide study and it was one of the most interesting subjects we have had.

The first chapter, "Protestants' Approach to the Family," was presented by the pastor, on Sunday night. He had all the married couples stand and, holding hands, repeat the marriage vows; the traditional wedding music was used during the service. After the service everyone was invited to the social hall for cake and punch—a real wedding cake with bride and groom atop.

The chapter, "Children Are People," was presented by the Children's Division and Circle No. 4; "Emotional Maturity," by the Youth Fellowship and Circle No. 3; "How the Family Serves Itself," by the Fathers and Circle No. 1; "How the Community Serves the Family," by the Mothers and Circle No. 2; "How the Church Can Serve the Family" was presented by the president of the Woman's Society and the Young Adults. Each division and circle of our church participated in this study.

(Woman's Society of Christian Service, Virginia Avenue Methodist Church, Bluefield, Virginia)

"WOMEN OF INDIA ON THE MOVE"

An interesting development in the work has been the rapid growth of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in Bombay Conference. Starting with a modest beginning in one or two city churches, it has spread and taken root in many rural areas. Last year alone ten new rural societies were formed. In these societies village women are receiving their very first lesson in democracy by electing office-bearers and working under them. So the women of India are on the move—a most sure sign of Advance!

(J. T. Seamands, The Methodist Church, Belgaum, Bombay Presidency, India)

TARRY YE HERE AND WATCH

A Service of Worship arranged by Charlene Houts, Secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild, Lincoln District, Nebraska Conference

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This is a service in which pictures, music, poetry, and Scripture are used. It is most impressive when the participants are in their places near the worship center and the background music is started as the people gather. The picture, "Head of Christ," by Warner E. Sallman, should be on the worship center. The service proceeds without announcement.

Four people are needed for the presentation: a soloist, two readers, and an organist or pianist.

Readers change pictures following last reading or solo.

If pictures indicated are not available, others appropriate to the service may be substituted. The Sallman pictures may be purchased from The Methodist Publishing House serving your territory. Hofmann pictures from The Methodist Publishing House or from the Perry Picture Company, Malden, Massachusetts.

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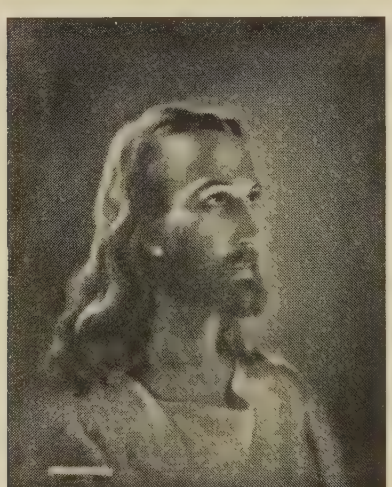
HEAD OF CHRIST—picture by Sallman

Reader: Luke 9:51-62



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THE LAST SUPPER — picture by Leonardo da Vinci

Reader: Matthew 26:20-25

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Reader:

"Perhaps at first they talked of little things
At suppertime that evening in the spring—
The upper room was dim with candle-shine
As Jesus sat with twelve, remembering.
Then quietly He said, 'There is one here
Whose kiss will bring betrayal by and by.'
They did not look at Judas curiously,
But each man murmured, 'Master, is it I?'
"Each one looked inward, frightened lest he find
A shoddy place where he had dreamed of steel.
None placed the guilt on any other guest
Who had partaken of that gracious meal. . . .
When there are hungry on my little street,
When I see tears or hear a heart's hurt cry
Because someone has failed to keep high faith,
May I, too, murmur, 'Master, is it I?' " [1]

CHRIST IN GETHSEMANE—picture by Hofmann

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Reader: Mark 14:32-37

"Not for one hour; so much the daily task
Absorbs us, and the world fills all our mind,
Leaving no room for that which Thou dost ask;
Too busy or too indolent, to find
The path that leads to Olivet, or spare
One hour to watch with Thee in love and prayer.

"No, not one hour: save when our heads are bowed
With our own sorrow; when the heart's sore need
Craves comfort from Thy presence, and the cloud
Hangs dark and heavy o'er us; then, indeed,
Oh, Saviour of the world, we turn to Thee,
To watch with us in our Gethsemane." [2]

Solo: "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked," *Geoffrey O'Hara.*

[1] "The Last Supper," by Helen Welshimer. Page 336, *Christ and the Fine Arts*, by Cynthia Pearl Maus, Harper and Brothers, Publishers, New York. Used by permission of Rev. P. H. Welshimer.

[2] "Could Ye Not Watch One Hour?" by Godfrey Fox Bradby. No. 57, James Dalton Morrison, *Masterpieces of Religious Verse*, Harper and Brothers, Publishers, 1948. Used by permission.

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THE CHRIST—picture by Hofmann

Reader:

"There was no glory on the hills that day;
Only dark shame,
And three stark crosses rearing at the sky.
Only a whining wind,
And jeering,
And an anguished voice
Crying forgiveness.
Then darkness fell.

"We sit today in cushioned pews
And for three hours we watch with Him,
Singing and praying,
Hearing quiet words.
There is a gentle rustle as we move in and out,
Too busy to stay long,
Or else too tired
To sit so long a time
In cushioned pews.

"We see a golden cross
And pray to God
That some day,
In His own good time,
The world may do His will.
But we ourselves
Have little time to help—
Except to say a prayer
On cushioned pews.

"The golden cross is all aglow
In candle flame.
It burns like flame.
Like flame it burns into my heart—
The golden cross has turned to fire
The candle glow—
Has set the cross on fire—
The burning cross up on the altar
Cries—
Cries out to me.
The flaming cross is burned into my heart!

"The others have not seen.
There is the golden cross
And candle glow.

"There was no glory on the hills that day;
But one stark cross
Against a vacant sky." [3]

Solo: "Were You There?" arranged by *Burleigh.*

Perry Pictures

HOLY WOMEN AT THE TOMB—picture by Bouguereau

Reader: John 20:11-16

"O Mary, Mary and Salome, seek
Him not among the dead, the heavy night
Of Adam's guilt is fled, the Temple is rebuilt,
The stone rejected of the builders now is made
The cornerstone.
Rejoice, rejoice, this is the day!

"O Magdalen, who knew not where they laid
Your Lord, discard your spices, gather bay,
The Victim has become the Victor! He,
The Way, the Truth, the Life, is risen! O behold!
The Shepherd glorified has shown His sheep to fold!" [4]

HIS PRESENCE—picture by Sallman

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Reader: John 20:19-22

Solo: "O Divine Redeemer," *Gounod*

Benediction: And He stood in the midst of them and said, "Peace be unto you."

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[3] "Good Friday" by Martha Provine Leach Turner. No. 582, James Dalton Morrison, *Masterpieces of Religious Verse,* Harper and Brothers, Publishers, 1948. Used by permission.

[4] From "The Resurrection," by John Gilland Brunnini. No. 643, James Dalton Morrison, *Masterpieces of Religious Verse,* Harper and Brothers, Publishers, 1948. Used by permission.

OUR HITHERTO UNTAPPED RESOURCES

The women in the Woman's Societies of the larger churches have sometimes felt that the contacting of every woman member of the church was a task too great to be undertaken.

The following tells how it was done in one situation, and the suggestions may well be of practical value for others. Mrs. H. C. Leonard of Philadelphia, in the Philadelphia Conference, Northeastern Jurisdiction, is a member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. It is her own church of which she writes, by request, outlining the plan, step by step, from the beginning:

"Our plan is a long view plan and is far from finished. I shall give it to you from the beginning.

"1. A survey was made of all the women members of the church. This resulted in our being faced with the fact that 402 women of our church were not in any class or woman's activity in the church.

"2. The circle committee met and made cards for these women, listing name, address, phone number, and any information at hand as whether they were businesswomen, shut-ins, et cetera.

"3. At the time of circle drawing, these names were placed in a second basket. (The first basket contained names of members of the Woman's Society.) These were then drawn in equal numbers for each circle.

"4. The first contact was a card, which was sent announcing the circle number and the meeting time and place of the circle.

"5. During the summer the circle chairman and secretary contacted by phone or personal interview each name and reported the result on the individual's card, giving information secured, as—Why or why not interested in the Woman's Society? Interested in evening groups?

"6. Next, an invitation was sent to the Fall Fellowship Luncheon. These went to members and nonmembers of the Woman's Society alike, and over 800 were sent out.

"7. A card followed, for the October meeting, which was the fall opening and part payment of pledge. (We do not have money-raising affairs; we count on pledges for our budget of $4,500.00.)

"8. Now as the newly interested are appearing in the circles, the leader checks against her cards. Now comes the additional calling by the circle members on those women who have not yet been won. As the information continues to come in, we find we have over 200 women who go to business who are not interested in our Wesleyan Service Guild or our Business and Professional Circle, or our new Bride's Circle. So we plan a meeting this month for these women, and shall see whether several evening groups are the answer. It will be a year of work, but we hope the women of First Church, Germantown, Philadelphia, will see what is offered by the Woman's Society of Christian Service. And we of the Woman's Society have awakened to the fact that we have not yet touched the resources of our church."

ONE OF THE GOALS OF THE ADVANCE IS: EVERY WOMAN MEMBER OF THE CHURCH A MEMBER OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE. THIS MAKES A "ONE HUNDRED PER CENT SOCIETY." TO DATE THERE ARE 742 SUCH SOCIETIES REPORTED.

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Representatives of a one hundred per cent society—Mt. Scott, Kiowa, Oklahoma, Western District, Indian Mission Conference. The picture was taken at the Annual Conference meeting on the Western District Camping Ground at Boiling Spring Church. *(From left to right)* Mrs. Waldo Wettengel, Mrs. May Yeahquo,* Mrs. Carrie Sahmunt,* Mrs. Sam T. Evans, secretary of Promotion, South Central Jurisdiction, Mrs. Rowena Tonemah.*

* Member of the Mt. Scott Woman's Society.

Information and Action

Dear Friends:

The next pages of this issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN are very important for you and your committee as you plan ahead not only for the program year beginning June 1, but as you look toward the full quadrennium. There is no concern of Christians today that is more important than the necessity for creating an awareness of those issues in the world "that belong unto peace."

The world we live in today calls for Christians who are willing to face world issues in terms of changing patterns, even in the midst of familiar experiences. Ten years have passed since Pearl Harbor, yet the world is confronted by many of the same tensions and needs. Our own nation is being mobilized today with the same propaganda methods used ten years ago for global war. Fear is gripping the hearts of peoples over the world. Human freedom is in jeopardy, not just from conquest by a shooting war, and not just from communist infiltration, but because fear brings "witch hunts" that destroy the very freedoms we seek to preserve.

This is a changing world. The families of this nation are on the move. Eight million children changed homes in one year. New patterns in family life and in the community are emerging. We must look with new insights and resources at our responsibility.

You have probably already ordered copies of the new leaflet entitled *The Church's Job Is My Job,* Literature Headquarters, free; postage for quantity orders. You may want to have several copies of this leaflet for the members of your committee to study, too. A very important job for the church to do is outlined in that leaflet. Much of it is the responsibility of you and your committee, but you can do a better job if you get other groups in the church and community working with you.

(1) Why not ask your pastor to call together some representatives of the Woman's Society, Wesleyan Service Guild, Youth Fellowship, Young Adults, and Men's Group to make plans to do some of the things suggested in this leaflet?

(2) Find out what other churches, community welfare agencies, schools, the P.T.A., and other groups are doing for your "New Neighbors."

(3) Keep a record of the things you find out and the activities your community or church undertake separately or in cooperation with other groups. *Be sure to write a brief story of this continuing program* and send it to your district secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities when you send your quarterly reports.

You will want to keep the *March* issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN to use with the *May* issue, when the full plans for the general program for next quadrennium will appear. It would be helpful to schedule a "leisurely" meeting of your committee for early May at the latest. By that time you will also have the new *Officers' Letter File* for the year beginning June 1, 1952, since that will be published again this year in the *April* issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN.

(Have you checked lately to be sure that all the members of your committee are subscribers to THE METHODIST WOMAN*? Ask your secretary of Literature and Publications to check on this important matter with you.)*

The suggestions and recommendations outlined in these pages should give new urgency to the job we have committed ourselves to do. If we would motivate others to work for the good life, we ourselves must have the faith that overcomes "defeatism," and that inner peace based on the assurance that "God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation." [1]

Sincerely,
Thelma Stevens
Dorothy Weber
Margaret R. Bender

[1] *The Revised Standard Version of the New Testament.* Used by permission of the International Council of Religious Education.

NEW RESOURCE MATERIAL

One of the highlights of the annual meeting was the address on "The Child as the World's Best Hope for Peace," by Katharine Lenroot, recently retired Chief of the Children's Bureau in Washington.

The entire speech will be published in the April issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN. This will be one new resource in your follow-up of the White House Conference on Youth and Children.

Next Steps in the New Quadrennium

As we begin this new year of work in the Woman's Society we also begin a new quadrennium. This new quadrennium will have unusual significance because it will begin at a time when a badly frightened world offers the church opportunities for courageous action and triumphant leadership toward a better world order.

Conscious of the great challenge that we are facing, the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities adopted at the annual meeting in January a program for the next four years, under the title, "The Things That Belong Unto Peace." This program, as recommended by the Woman's Division of Christian Service, will be published in the May issue of The Methodist Woman. In the meantime you will want to look at the program for the next year, particularly at the things which you may wish to emphasize immediately. An Activities leaflet for 1952-53, with more details and helps related to the program, will appear in the late spring. Watch The Methodist Woman for the publication date.

Alcohol and Narcotics

Various phases of the alcohol problem have become so acute in this country during the last few years that the women of our church are concerned that they do not miss any opportunity to better the situation at any point. There are a number of reasons, pre-eminent among them the bringing of beer advertising into the family circle by television, that point toward 1952 as a good year in which to make an all-out effort to secure an adequate piece of legislation banning the interstate advertising of liquor. Accordingly, the following resolution was passed by the Woman's Division:

"Due to the impact of the increased advertising of alcoholic beverages on the family through television programs, the Woman's Division recommends: That Methodist women support a movement to secure legislation which would make illegal interstate advertising of alcoholic beverages." Watch for further information on this from your conference and district officers and in the pages of The Methodist Woman.

Another problem that has, during this year, occupied an important place in the thinking of many communities is the teen-age use of alcohol. You will remember that in September the Woman's Division urged action in the matter. At this annual meeting as part of that action program, it authorized the production of a short leaflet pointing up an action program on the subject, as well as a bibliography of materials that can be used in local situations. Watch The Methodist Woman for announcement of its appearance.

Human Rights and Freedoms

In these days when we are becoming more conscious of the importance to world peace of America keeping her position of leadership in the field of human rights, incidents of violation of freedoms become more important. At all times such incidents are a burden to the Christian conscience. This year, particularly, it was disturbing to learn from observers who were at the United Nations General Assembly in Paris that accounts of bombing and other violence in the United States produced an effect upon people from other nations. The statement in this field from the annual meeting reflected this concern, and made some practical suggestions upon which women everywhere can pick up.

"Looking toward 'the things that belong unto peace,' we believe that the practice of brotherhood is essential in every area of life. Bombings in St. Louis, Birmingham, Atlanta, Cicero, and California have been followed by the bombing in Florida of a high school, twelve Jewish synagogues, a Catholic church, a Negro housing project, and most recently, the home of the leader of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, resulting in his death, as well as the death of his wife. These recent trends in mob violence make immediate and continued action imperative.

"We therefore recommend:

"a) That the Woman's Division of Christian Service join with such organizations as the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and the Southern Regional Council in urging the President of the United States, the Attorney General, and the governor of Florida to pursue the investigations of the Moore case and the Groveland murder case until the guilty parties are brought to justice.

"b) That local societies investigate the training requirements of the law enforcement officers in their communities for the purpose of improving such training, if necessary.

"c) Whereas the actions of our courts are so often colored by what court officials think is the climate of public opinion, and thus justice is defeated, *we urge* Methodist women to visit the courts, especially in cases that bear directly on discrimination against minority groups."

In view of the fact that this was the last annual meeting before the General Conference, attention was called to previous action taken by the Woman's Division to urge

Methodist women to assume the obligations expressed therein:

1. "That the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service work to eradicate in church and community those attitudes which foster segregation. One of the goals resulting from such eradication would be the removal of organizational machinery that upholds segregation within The Methodist Church, on all levels, and with reference to all minority groups."

In the spirit of this recommendation the Woman's Division calls upon jurisdiction, conference, district and local groups to memorialize the General Conference.

2. That we commend local newspapers where there is no racial identification found in news items, and work toward this goal in all newspapers, as well as for recognition of outstanding contributions from minority groups.

3. The Woman's Division recommends that Methodist women seek to remove all discrimination from any agency or institution for which they have responsibility.

4. We recommend that Methodist women on the local level support all efforts to help strengthen the Council of Church Women in its work across racial lines.

Support of the United Nations

There are many signs which indicate that if we wish to preserve the United Nations we must work harder than ever before. One of those signs is the fact that the House of Representatives passed, last summer, a resolution limiting United States contributions to any U.N. organization to one-third of that organization's budget. This resolution has a certain amount of logic on its side, as the U.N. itself has agreed that *in any normal year* the appropriation of no nation should exceed that proportion. However, when the budget committee of the U.N. met this year and heard the United States action, it felt that, because of Korea, the great need to make a beginning on the technical assistance which hopes to stop starvation and save lives in other ways, and other factors, this was *not a normal year.* This congressional restriction has placed our representatives at the U.N. in a most difficult position, as most of them feel that an apportionment, democratically arrived at in the Budget Committee of the U.N., is an obligation which we should accept. The Woman's Division resolution pointed this out.

"We urge the Congress of the United States to accept the 36.9 apportionment made to it by the Budget Committee of the United Nations. We believe this cannot be considered a normal year in international affairs, and believe that the contribution made toward ultimate peace by our acceptance of this apportionment would far exceed the monetary value of a little more than a million dollars, which would be saved by insisting upon the 33⅓ apportionment. We also urge that this principle be followed in accepting the budgets of other United Nations agencies."

Every society could work locally to acquaint public opinion with these facts, and bring this position to the attention of representatives in Congress. Action at this session of Congress could be accomplished if its importance were recognized.

Another U.N. matter, which is concerning many people, is the budget for United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund. The funds of this organization, which has accomplished so much for children everywhere, are dangerously low. Projects which can save the lives of millions of children wait on new government contributions, chiefly that of the United States.

Last year the Senate recognized the fact that contributions of receiving countries were actually a contribution to UNICEF and should be accepted as such when counting support. You will also remember that except in extreme emergencies UNICEF assistance is given on a local matching formula, whereby receiving countries contribute at least fifty per cent of the cost of all programs. Because the House has not accepted the view of the Senate in this matter, and because of the above provision limiting United States support of U.N. agencies to one-third of the total budget, difficulty is being encountered in getting the twelve million dollars for UNICEF which the President of the United States asked for last summer. The following recommendation was adopted:

"The Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church is firmly convinced that the first consideration of world organizations should be in the area of the welfare of the world's children. We also realize that these children have basic, continuing, long-term needs which must be met.

"Therefore, we urge Congress to count the contributions in services and materials given by other nations, as well as the cash contributions of these nations, in determining the United States' share in UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund), thus making it possible to appropriate the remainder of the United States' contribution as originally authorized by the Congress."

If your community and your representatives in Congress are not UNICEF-conscious, a community program on the subject might be in order. For more material, write the United States Committee for UNICEF, in care of the United Nations, New York, New York.

In addition to this attack on its

budget, the U.N. is facing other public attack which makes it essential that more information be distributed quickly. We urge Methodist women to redouble their efforts to publicize locally the accomplishments of the U.N. We further urge cooperation in interdenominational and other group programs that seek to win support for the U.N., and its program of technical assistance. When it becomes obvious that efforts are being made to undermine the United States support of the U.N., Methodist women will want to rally church and community forces to the support of the U.N.

Concern for families and children also inspired the following items: "In view of the great numbers of children who do not have equal educational opportunity, we recommend that the Woman's Division reaffirm its support of federal aid to *public* education based on *state administration* of funds *without discrimination.* We further recommend that at an early date an article be published in THE METHODIST WOMAN setting forth the principles of this recommendation and the arguments pro and con.

"We further recommend the publication of a companion leaflet to *Making the United Nations a Part of Family Life,* which would help parents interpret to the child the meaning of the World Church."

The Vatican

Strong action was taken branding the proposed appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican as "contrary to the American tradition of separation of church and state" and likely "to produce effects disastrous to national unity." If you have not already expressed yourself on this matter, you may wish to communicate with the President and your senators. Your pastor received a communication on the subject from the Council of Bishops. Perhaps he may still need your assistance in bringing it to the attention of the constituency.

Universal Military Training and Disarmament

The following actions will provide a springboard for study in these related fields:

"Since armaments can only impede our progress toward a better way of life, we must work consistently and persistently for universal, simultaneous disarmament. We are cognizant of the fact that the United States, on many occasions, has declared its readiness to participate in arrangements that would bring the armaments of the nations under international control. The Woman's Division of Christian Service of The Methodist Church supports the actions of the Commission on World Peace of The Methodist Church and of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., on Universal Disarmament.

"Since the Woman's Division is meeting at the time when UMT is again under consideration by Congress, it is urgent that we reaffirm our opposition to any form of peacetime conscription that includes Universal Military Training or Universal Military Service. We believe that the Selective Service Law will provide the necessary personnel for meeting this emergency, and that to enact any form of Universal Military Training at this time will be contrary to and destructive of the basic principles on which this nation was founded.

"It is recommended that the president of the Woman's Division bring this action to the immediate attention of Representative Carl Vinson, Chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services, and that Methodist women be urged to communicate their convictions to their congressmen and senators. For further information and study we call attention to *The Christian Century,* December 19, 1951; resolutions adopted by the Commission on World Peace; *Washington Newsletter,* November 16, 1951." (For Disarmament, see *Challenge to Peacemaking,* free, from the Commission on World Peace, 740 Rush St., Chicago 11, Illinois, and National Council statement, General Assembly, November 28, 1951.)

Ethical Standards in Government

Because we are so constantly hoping through these days of uncertainty and failure of responsibility in high and low places, the annual meeting called attention to the report on ethical standards in government made by a subcommittee of the United States Senate, and recommended that Methodist women read it.

National Seminar for 1953

A decision was also made to hold the National Seminar again at Scarritt College, thus to offer another opportunity for groups of women to become familiar with one of our important institutions. It was decided that the program would relate to that phase of the quadrennial program which is concerned with moral responsibility and the world's needs. The following lines of work will be invited to cooperate with the Department of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities in planning and promoting the seminar: Vice-presidents, Spiritual Life, and Missionary Education. It was recommended that jurisdictions and conferences make provision for necessary subsidies to those who attend the seminar. (As in previous years, the department will make available a $50.00 subsidy for each jurisdiction.)

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WORLD FRIENDSHIP BULLETIN

EDITED BY RUBY VAN HOOSER
Secretary of Children's Work

FROM THE CROWDED STREETS OF A GREAT CITY, CHILDREN COME WITH CONFIDENCE TO THE MISSIONARY NURSE FOR LOVING ATTENTION AND CARE

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FOR CHILDREN'S WORK

BOYS AND GIRLS WILL FIND NEW FRIENDS DURING STUDY OF MISSIONARY UNITS IN SPRING QUARTER

MEETING WORKERS AT HOME

The months of April and May will bring experiences of fresh interest to many junior children, as they take up the study of missionary units in Methodist church schools that follow the Closely Graded Courses. The materials on the current emphases of "Home Missionaries at Work" and "Latin America" may be used in connection with the study. As children come to know about the missionaries of their church, serving in this country or overseas, they will discover new friends among them, and among boys and girls with whom they work.

Of special concern to juniors would be an interview with Mrs. Mabel Garrett Wagner, executive secretary of the Bureau of Urban Work, who describes her visits to city centers in different parts of the United States, where home missionaries and deaconesses are busily engaged in many tasks.

IN A WESLEY COMMUNITY HOUSE

"When I went to see the workers at the Wesley Community House in Key West, Florida," said Mrs. Wagner, speaking of one of these visits, "I found a lovely and comfortable new building with an atmosphere about it that spoke at once of friendliness and charm. Here two enthusiastic young missionaries, Arlene Merritt, the head resident, and Romona Hundt, are having a great time as they carry on a program of daily activities for all age groups, attend the nearby Latin-American Church at El Salvador, and take part in the life of the community.

"Entering the kindergarten," continued Mrs. Wagner, "of which Miss Hundt, a trained kindergarten teacher is in charge, we found a colorful, sunny, homelike room with windows on three sides, opening directly on the playground. The boys and girls, scattered here and there, were having a period of informal free play. One was painting at an easel, some were looking at picture story books, others were absorbed with their blocks. It was a happy place for children.

"There are clubrooms and workshops, too, where older boys and girls may feel at home, with plenty of room to spread out as much as they wish while they work and play. In fact, during any week there are exciting things for all members of the family to do. Needs? Yes, there are plenty of them including more equipment for the workshops, but the workers hope to gradually meet the needs as the days go by.

"As I was leaving," concluded Mrs. Wagner, "Miss Merritt ran down the street to take some hot lunch to an invalid neighbor who was waiting for it. Altogether it was evident that these two missionaries are finding among the people in Key West a place of service that is bringing them joy and content."

MISSIONARIES SERVE IN LATIN AMERICA

In ten different countries in Latin America, Methodist missionaries are sharing the Christian message and are trying to help meet the needs of the people among whom they live and work. They may be found in schools, hospitals, social centers, churches, and homes. During April and May, junior boys and girls studying the current emphasis may become acquainted with some of these Christian workers, and with the activities that they are carrying on.

TRAINING LEADERS IN BRAZIL

In the Methodist Institute in Santo Amaro, São Paulo, work for children is carried on through a well-organized playground, library, and clinic, as well as through kindergarten and primary school classes. There is also a Training School for Christian Workers in which missionaries and Brazilian leaders work together to train young women for positions of service and responsibility in their own communities. "Our plans," writes Miss Sarah Bennett, "call for work by our students in city and rural churches and for an enlargement of our social service program.

"Twelve-thirty on Sunday," continues Miss Bennett, "finds several of the Methodist Institute girls leaving in groups to go out to various Sunday schools in the underprivileged districts of the city. One group will go eighteen blocks to a Sunday school that is held in the home of a Christian widow. The girls will make visits to house after house inviting the children to come to Sunday school. By two o'clock between sixty and eighty children and adults will have gathered under the grape arbor in the tiny backyard. The songs that are sung are some of the same that the children in the States love to sing. After the worship service, the group divides into classes. The adult class meets in the kitchen, the juniors in the dining room, the kindergarten is in one corner under the grape arbor, and the primary group gathers in a little shady corner near the house.

"The children sit on low benches while they sing, listen to stories, and talk with their teachers. Then comes the hour they love when they are given a piece of paper and coloring pencils and told to draw pictures of the lesson to take home to show their mothers and to help them remember the story. Down on the ground they go on their knees, and the benches become tables. After Sunday school the Institute girls visit from home to home, many times helping the parents to understand their children, and sometimes just giving a friendly word to those who may need friendship and love."

Methodist children through their prayers and gifts may have a share in this work in Latin America.

PLANNING FOR CHILDREN IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

FRIENDSHIP SONG[1]

All children who live in distant lands
With joyful song we greet!
Hold out to us your friendly hands
Our circle to complete.
In countries far and countries near
One family are we.
The voice of friendship now we hear
'Cross continent and sea.

Then, boys and girls, as in our play
Around the world we go,
With mind and heart we'll try today
Each other's lands to know.
And when our time for playing flies,
And when our childhood ends,
May we, grown older and more wise,
Be firm and loyal friends.

—Author Unknown

TEACHING MISSIONARY UNITS DURING THE SPRING QUARTER

To leaders of children in the church school, the spring months will offer many opportunities for the building of world friendship among children, and for guiding boys and girls in the discovery of new and interesting things about the work of their church at home and overseas. During April and May, in church schools where the Closely Graded Courses are followed, Juniors will engage in the study of missionary units. Additional sessions should be planned in connection with these units, as the program of The Methodist Church provides.

In both the Sunday church school and in additional sessions, the current missionary emphases will be stressed. The following materials will be used:

1. *Missionary Units in the Closely Graded Courses during April and May:*

For Juniors, Course IV, Part 3—"The Church Cares for Children." Course V, Part 3—"The Church and a Fair Chance for All." Course VI, Part 3—"The Church at Work Around the World."

2. *Missionary Units for Additional Sessions during the Spring Quarter:*

*For Juniors: Methodist Neighbors in Latin America,** by Vesta Towner. 50 cents. Or,

*Hungry Hollow,** by Anna Rose Wright. $1.25. Use with this *A Junior Teacher's Guide* on "Home Missionaries at Work,"* by Vesta Towner.

For Juniors meeting once a week throughout the year, the unit, "Home Missionaries at Work," should be used. It is found in *Child Guidance in Christian Living,* May, 1952.

3. *The Group Graded Lessons do not include missionary units during the spring quarter.* The session plans, however, always include possibilities for friendly interest and service.

[1] From *The Whole World Singing.* **Used by permission of the Friendship Press.**

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SHARING GIFTS WITH MEMBERS OF THE WORLD FAMILY

As Methodist children take part in the study of missionary units during the spring quarter and bring their regular offerings in Sunday school for World Service and, in additional sessions, for the Children's Service Fund, they are helping in the best of all ways to carry forward the work of the church in the United States and in countries that circle the globe. In addition, they may wish to send some special gift to show their love and concern for the needs of others.

SUPPLIES FOR CHILDREN IN LATIN AMERICA

For work with children in schools in Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, and Peru, and in rural centers in Mexico:

Send Gifts of $3.00, $5.00, or more with which to purchase school equipment and supplies for Miss Mary Jane Baxter and Miss Sarah Bennett, Methodist Institute, Caixa 2009, São Paulo, Brazil; Miss Helen Safstrom, Colegio Americano, Av. Pellegrini 1352, Rosario, Argentina; Miss Elsie Culver, Crandon Institute, Casilla de Correo 445, Montevideo, Uruguay; Miss Martha Vanderberg, Lima High School, Apartado 2144, Lima, Peru; Miss Anne Deavours, General Teran, N. L. Mexico. The gifts may be sent as *Cash for Supply Work* by the treasurer of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service. The purpose of the gift should be clearly stated to the treasurer.

FOR CHILDREN'S NEEDS IN ASIA AND EUROPE

The great needs of children in war-torn Korea are stressed by one of the executive secretaries who has recently returned from that country. Children of other countries also need help.

Send money for powdered milk, food, clothing, and medicine directly to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York. It is estimated that $5.00 will provide for the needs of a child in Korea for one month.

GIFTS FOR WORKERS WITH CHILDREN IN THE UNITED STATES

Deaconesses and home missionaries in city centers and in other places have special needs in their work with boys and girls. For example, Miss Arlene Merritt, Wesley Community House, Key West, Florida, writes that hammers, nails, screw drivers, and other equipment for the workshop are needed.

Send gifts of $3.00 to $5.00 or more with which to buy needed supplies and equipment for Miss Ruth Wright, Neighborhood Center, 615 Mary Street, Utica 3, New York; Miss Fannie Bame, Bethlehem Community Center, 1336 Conklin Avenue, Augusta, Georgia; Miss Caroline Porter, Homer Toberman Settlement, 131 North Grand Avenue, San Pedro,

California; Miss Mona Kewish, Marcy Center, 1539 S. Springfield Avenue, Chicago 23, Illinois; Miss Arlene Merritt, Wesley Community Center, Key West, Florida. The gifts may be sent as *Cash for Supply Work* by the treasurer of the local Woman's Society of Christian Service. The purpose of the gift should be clearly stated to the treasurer.

A LETTER OF THANKS FROM KOREA TO CHILDREN

My Dear Little Friends:

I have been told that many Sunday school classes have been sending money to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief to buy food for Korean children. Other groups have sent clothing to Church World Service. I am writing to thank you most heartily for these gifts.

As you know, Korea has suffered greatly over a year because of the war. All the people in many cities and villages as well as those living on farms had to flee from their homes leaving all their furniture, clothing, and food. Fathers and mothers of thousands of children have died. Our missionaries have gathered many of these homeless ones into schools and camps. And the money that you have sent will help buy rice, vegetables, and milk for them. This will make thousands of boys and girls happy. It will help them to grow strong.

When the war is over, we hope to build Christian schools for these children. Some of them will go to college and become leaders of their country. Maybe one of them will become President of Korea. Others will be doctors, teachers, or ministers. All of them, we hope, will be Christian men and women.

I have recently been in America and have met many of your fathers and mothers. You have reason to thank God for your parents, your teachers, and your country. I am so glad to know that in the midst of all the good things, you are interested and ready to help the unfortunate little ones in Korea. When you grow up, I hope you will meet some Korean men and women whom your gifts have helped.

For the boys and girls of Korea, I say again, "Thank you."—HYUNGKI J. LEW, *Bishop of The Methodist Church in Korea*

ADDITIONAL SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN DURING APRIL AND MAY

1. If your church uses the *Closely Graded Courses*, has the Council of Children's Workers planned to have additional sessions for the missionary education of juniors during April and May, following Easter?

2. Have leaders been selected and materials ordered?

LETTER FROM CRANDON INSTITUTE

Dear Friend:

This is just to share with you our joy and enthusiasm in the kindergarten. Yesterday, the carpenter brought our new carpenter's bench. Such sawing and hammering you have never heard! To see Carlitos' face as he saws one piece of wood after another is a delight to behold. He shows such contentment, such a sense of accomplishment!

Everyone said when they saw the tools that no child would ever have the strength to use them. But you should see the boats and carts that have already been made. Needless to say, we have been visited by all the teachers.—ELSIE CULVER

SWEET MEMORIAL INSTITUTE, SANTIAGO, CHILE

The cover of the "World Friendship Bulletin" shows children in the day nursery of this outstanding social center.

READING BOOKS—MAPS—PICTURES* MATERIALS FOR CHILDREN

The Children Downstairs, by Virginia Mazer. Primary reading book on Latin America. $1.25.

Davey of the Sandhills, by Anne M. Halladay. Primary reading book on home missions emphasis. $1.25.

Manuel: A Little Boy of Mexico, by Jeannette Perkins Brown. An illustrated reading book for kindergarten children. 85 cents.

Off to Brazil, by Nina Millen. Junior reading book on Latin America. $1.25.

Hungry Hollow, by Anna Rose Wright. Junior reading book on home missions emphasis. $1.25.

MAPS AND PICTURES

The Methodist Church in Latin America. Large map locating principal mission centers. Size, 30 x 40 inches. 45 cents.

Picture Maps: South America; Mexico; United States. Size, 38 x 50 inches. 75 cents each.

Illustrated Folder: When Children Give, 1951-52. 15 cents per copy; in dozen lots, 7 cents each.

STORY PAPERS[1]

Pictures and Stories. For primary children, January and May, 1952. 17 cents a quarter.

Trails for Juniors, January and May, 1952. 22 cents a quarter.

Child Guidance in Christian Living (for leaders). January and May, 1952, will contain articles, information, and pictures, respectively, on "Latin America" and "Home Missionaries at Work," 35 cents a quarter.

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WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD NEWSLETTER

LILLIAN A. JOHNSON, *Secretary*

Dear Friends:

As I write this, I am just beginning my work as your secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild. It seems somewhat strange yet uniquely thrilling to be in the Guild on this side of the desk. I wish you all could share this period of orientation with me. During the first few days the Woman's Division staff met for study, which gave me the opportunity to meet and become acquainted with my working associates and other members of the staff. Their spirit of friendly understanding and cooperation gave me a sense of belonging from the very start. This gathering also gave me a chance to spend some invaluable time with Mrs. Charles W. Mead, chairman of the Standing Committee.

Now that these meetings are over, I am taking time to review the letters and telegrams that have been coming during the past three months from Guild groups in all parts of the country. They are heart-warming, enthusiastic, and encouraging, reaffirming my conviction of the vigor and spirituality of Wesleyan Service Guild women. The work has been tremendously challenging to me from the start, but it has become doubly so since my contacts with you through these messages. I am so happy about this, for we have important things to do together in the years ahead.

Right now in the office we are working on an agenda for the planning meetings of the Standing Committee at Buck Hill Falls, where we will work to find some specific and strategic matters on which gainfully employed women who are Christians may well expend their time and energy, in line with the total program of the Woman's Division of Christian Service. With the splendid resource people we have, I am sure we can do this.

While I am speaking of splendid people, I want to say a word in appreciation of the fine work that has been done in the office during the interim by Miss Mildred G. Drescher and Mrs. Ida Shaw. The Guild is a vital thing to them, and it is through their tireless efforts that we have suffered no serious lapse in our work. I am sure your prayers and best wishes are with them as are mine in the continuance of their service.

I hope to meet a great many of you in person at conference and jurisdiction weekends soon. I attended two inspiring weekends before coming here to the office, one in Hattiesburg District with representatives from other districts of Mississippi Conference, and one in the St. Louis area of Central Jurisdiction at Memphis, Tennessee. I am anxious to visit more like these two. In the meantime, do send me all the news you can muster; I love to hear it, and we want to have items that will be helpful to other Guilds. When you know a technique or activity works somewhere else you are more apt to want to try it yourself.

I feel that God works in mysterious ways; I feel that I am here because this is my mission. A day does not go by but that I pray for guidance and help, and for the courage, the wisdom, and the strength to walk in harmony with God in His plan for His children. This is not only a personal prayer, but it is my prayer as a representative of the Wesleyan Service Guild and each of its members. All of our prayers will be more meaningful as we pray and work together toward the same goal.

Yours in the Master's service.

LILLIAN A. JOHNSON

Out of Aldersgate

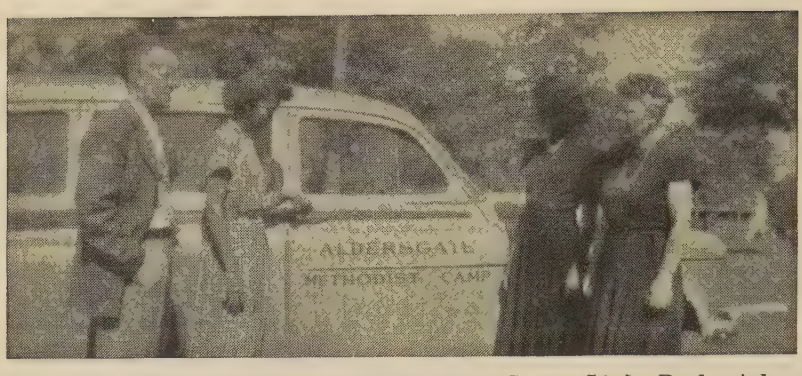
Dear Friends:

Last November I greeted you for the first time. Now I know so many of you that I feel I am writing to old friends.

What a wonderful year! And how generous you have been with your gifts! Your cash supplies have made possible such equipment as: seventy-five metal chairs, four dining room tables, benches, supply cabinets, cooking utensils, dishes, boats, desk, typewriter, records, and new slides. Many of you have sent generous boxes of dish towels and other linens. I am at a loss to tell you just how grateful we are for your interest and financial assistance through your giving of supplies. The need for linens no longer exists. Cash for Supply Work is always best.

The Woman's Division also has been good to Aldersgate. Three new cabins have been built, and city water has been installed throughout the camp. We hope to have a new dining room and kitchen before next summer.

You might like to know something of our summer groups. In addition to three district youth camps, we had one interracial conference with three races (six nationalities) represented, a Woman's Society of Christian Service School of Missions, a Wesleyan Service Guild Retreat, two Negro youth camps, a Fellowship Team Laboratory, and a World Friendship Camp composed of youth and local church leaders. Week after week we saw the idea of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man take on a new meaning for our campers. We saw them become more aware of personal responsibilities as children of God. Whole new areas of



Staff and station wagon, Aldersgate Methodist Camp, Little Rock, Arkansas

service were visualized by youth and adults as they studied and planned for the year ahead. Many came so near to God in times of worship that hereafter they can readily practice His Presence in daily living. After campfire worship service one evening a boy said, "I've never been so sure of God in all my life. Always He has seemed like someone in a fairy story. But tonight I know I could never doubt again. I felt Him so near."

There is no way to evaluate the far-reaching influence of Aldersgate in breaking down barriers, and training for Christian service. The work thus far could not have been accomplished had not Aldersgate been a Guild project. We hope to remain as one of your projects, so that the camp will be able to develop and fulfill its purpose in the training of Christian leaders of all races.

Best wishes to each of you. Why not plan to visit Aldersgate this year? We truly enjoyed having those of you who came by during your vacation, or while in Little Rock for a convention.

Sincerely yours,

MIKE WILLIS, *Director*
Aldersgate Camp

Letter From a New Missionary

Dear Friends:

This is my first letter to you as your Guild missionary. I am anxious to tell you about my work.

You may be wondering what I do, so I am listing the major categories:

1. Training leaders in local churches
2. Organizing and interpreting programs of church school and woman's work (I have been asked to assume the duties of conference director of adult work.)
3. Promoting the Group Ministry and Larger Parish plans, Rural Life Conferences, et cetera
4. Studying types of communities and adapting church programs to local needs
5. Working with other agencies likewise concerned with rural welfare
6. Interpreting interests, needs, and resources of rural groups to urban groups, both within and outside the state

Since the personality of communities differs, there can be no set pattern of work. How I love working first in delta plantation sections, then oil fields, lumber camps, fishing villages, parish, county seat towns! And now, here I am at MacDonell on the bayous that fringe the southern states in ever changing and intricate patterns of water and land.

MacDonell Methodist Center has been called "a jewel in a bayou setting." I have some lovely Kodachrome slides that will give you an insight into the life and opportunity and beauty here. These pictures were made by several Guild members in the conference. You may borrow them for your Guild.

Maybe you would like a word about MacDonell. There are three distinct avenues of service. First, it is a *boarding home* for forty-five children, most of whom come from the bayous. They attend public schools but have a Christian home here. Second, it is an *Indian day school* for those who are not able to attend other schools. Later there will be classes in adult education. The third emphasis—the original interest—is the church's outreach into the bayous—the *rural work.*

It is this third phase—the rural work—that you have chosen as your special interest. Children must be cared for; so must their families. The work with the homes and churches in the surrounding communities is as vital as serving the boys and girls at the Center, if children are to live abundantly in today's world. It is not possible nor desirable to separate each phase of work as the three combine to form the program of the Center. However, the MacDonell Center Rural Work will be as vigorous and effective as you can help us make it.

I say "us" for our work is expanding, and Neoma Windham of Jena, Louisiana, a recent Scarritt graduate, is my associate. Because she will spend all her time on the bayous, our efforts will be greatly multiplied.

My prayer is that I may make my work so challenging and attractive that many Guild members who do not have family responsibilities will be knocking on Miss Marjorie Minkler's door (executive secretary of the Town and Country Bureau) for a place to serve in rural America. I know what Guilders can do—we have four of them on our staff.

If only Guild friends could visit us! As I look out the windows, I see strange and fascinating boats go up and down the canal. The little Indian children at play are calling to each other in a French and English dialect all their own. It is a gratifying but humbling experience to be here on the bayous of lovely Louisiana, serving the Lord as your representative.

Yours in high appreciation,

ELIZABETH THOMPSON
Box 270, Houma, Louisiana

Guild Study Comments

An outstanding account of study classes on "The Book of Acts" sponsored by Wesleyan Service Guilds in North Carolina has come to us from Elsie L. Parker, of Raleigh, North Carolina. It answers many questions that have been asked from time to time concerning publicity, methods of presentation, and group and individual outcomes of study courses.

Months of work on the part of many committees in fifty-two churches, representing fifty Woman's Societies of Christian Service and nine Wesleyan Service Guilds, culminated in three study classes having 694 individuals registered and 281 others as guests. These classes were sponsored by the Wesleyan Service Guilds of Edenton Street Methodist Church, Raleigh; St. Paul's Methodist Church, Goldsboro; and Jonesboro Heights Methodist Church, Sanford.

Although the first class met October 2, publicity started in July, thus enabling every church to schedule the class in their annual program. Publicity consisted of letters written to the president and secretary of Missionary Education of each participating group, posters for use in churches, cards and marked calendars mailed to individual members, announcements in church bulletins, articles in newspapers, announcements at various church meetings, and telephone calls.

Two of the classes continued publicity throughout the time the class was in session by mailing a weekly postal card to every enrolled member. These gave assignments for the week and announced the material to be covered during the next session. An analysis of the attendance of three hundred and two persons in one of these classes shows the results of the continuous publicity. These women from twenty-five churches, in spite of hard rains and cold weather, had an average attendance at the four class sessions of 82 per cent.

Each class had four sessions of one and a half hours, each followed by a fellowship period permitting members of various churches to become acquainted. In cooperation with the teacher, Mrs. E. I. Terry, Raleigh, North Carolina, various groups assumed responsibility for a weekly devotional period with material related to the subjects studied that night. Although the groups were large, registration in each being 302, 261, and 131, there was considerable discussion in classes. Enrolled members in each class wrote short papers on the application of the material studied to present-day living. Lists were circulated giving the names of reference books available in local libraries. Students were asked to read the Book of Acts, to bring their Bibles to the class and mark passages during the discussions. They were also asked to read the Gospel of Luke and the Pauline Epistles, continuing their study beyond the completion of the class.

Expressions such as these came from members of the course:

"Our society has learned to be much in prayer. The quietness, the awareness of God's nearness, the opportunity for fellowship with large groups of women worshiping together have all shown us that we need more Bible study. This course has brought me a feeling of fellowship with Paul and the other characters studied. The Bible has become alive for me."

"The discussion of the 'closed door' helped me to see how the closed door in my life was a blessing to me rather than a hindrance which kept me from doing what I desired. This study has helped me to see that God is always with us in our undertakings and does answer prayer. Perhaps the answer is not in the way we desire, but if we surrender ourselves to Him all will be well."

Brief statements made by many class members show further results of these classes. "I am adding more literature to my library for use in future Bible study." "I am sure that I will be a better mother and neighbor. Members of our church have learned to work together. We shared our cars in driving to the classes. A twenty-eight-mile drive each way gave us time to discuss and plan our program as we had never done in the past."

"We are going to be better Christians for having shared this fellowship with many women and for having worshiped with them in a beautiful sanctuary." "Stewardship has a new meaning for us. In comparison with the early Christians we have given so little of our time, abilities, or money." "Personally, I have a strong desire to do fearlessly the work expected of a Christian. I am resolved to find more quiet time for personal Bible study and meditation, and will welcome the opportunity to become useful in my church. Never again will I say 'No' when asked to take office in the Guild."

Other indicated results were an introduction to the *Prayer Calendar** and the adoption of its daily use by some. There was an expressed desire to make all Christian holidays more meaningful.

Crusade Scholar Wed

The marriage of Miss Clea Machado, Crusade Scholar from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, to Mr. Charles Dubs, of Durham, North Carolina, was solemnized in Christ Church, New York City, on Friday evening, December 21. The ceremony was performed by Dr. James E. Ellis, associate secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension in charge of work in Latin America.

The bride is a graduate of Bennett College in Rio de Janeiro. She was a member of that faculty when in 1950 she was awarded a scholarship for two years of study at Boston University College of Music. A graduate of Duke University, Mr. Dubs is studying for the Ph.D. degree in physics at Boston University. They plan to work in Brazil after the completion of their studies.

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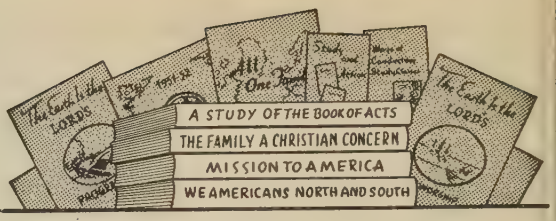
MISSIONARY EDUCATION

ELIZABETH STINSON, *Secretary*



Dear Secretary of Missionary Education:

The fourth General Conference of The Methodist Church will be held in San Francisco, California, April 23-May 7. Since this is the last letter I can write you this quadrennium, excepting one scheduled for the "Officer's Letter File" in the April issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN, I should like for us to think now of the work we have done together in the past four years and of what we should like to do in the next quadrennium.

Many of you will remember the meeting in Columbus, Ohio, October, 1948, which launched the Advance and to which came leaders of the Woman's Society of Christian Service from all sections of the country. You will recall the goals set for the four-year program which included a large increase in membership, a thousand new missionaries, deaconesses, and other full-time Christian workers, a 33⅓ per cent increase in giving.

Our Goal

The heart of the four-point program was goal number two: "Every Methodist woman studying, giving, building, and praying for a world Christian community." As secretaries of Missionary Education, we largely centered our efforts around that goal. We studied, and as we became aware of the needs of the world we were eager to give of our money and of our time and our prayers to help build hospitals, schools, social centers, homes, and to find Christian men and women to staff them.

What texts did we use as we studied during those years? The first year: *The Bible and Human Rights; China, Twilight or Dawn; Newness of Life; On Our Own Doorstep.* What a quartet! In 1949-50 we moved out through *Japan Begins Again; Missions at the Grass Roots; We the Peoples of the Ecumenical Church; Women of Scripture.*

Well do most of us remember those of last year: *Near East Panorama; Rural Prospect; The Christian's Vocation; We Seek Him Together;* and our present ones, *A Study of the Book of Acts; Mission to America; The Family—A Christian's Concern;* and *We Americans: North and South.*

Reports

You have noted every year I hope the reports on Missionary Education, which until 1952 were found in the *Annual Report of the Woman's Division of Christian Service.* I hope you paid careful attention to the report of the Schools of Missions and Christian Service in the January 1952 issue of THE METHODIST WOMAN. In order to let you see what progress has been made toward the goal, "Every Methodist woman studying . . . ," a few comparisons are given: In 1948 there were 78 jurisdiction and conference Schools of Missions and Christian Service with 11,465 women studying and 4,123 receiving credits from the Leadership Department of the Board of Education. In 1951 there were 100 schools with 20,775 women studying and 9,436 receiving credits.

Do you think we might increase by at least 100 per cent the women who are studying and receiving credits in the jurisdiction and conference schools this next quadrennium? When you consider that we have 29,229 societies and 1,533,411 members, you will realize that though we have almost doubled the number studying and receiving credit in our schools within the 1948-52 period and greatly increased the number of Jurisdiction Recognition cards granted local societies maintaining certain standards of study, we still have immeasurable opportunities.

Need for Study

Perhaps you feel that to some of us credits and recognition seem unduly important. If so, let me remind you that among the forces working against the Christian religion today is the preoccupation of men and women. Activity rather than thought is the order of the day. Instead of being "as happy as kings" because the world is "so full of a number of things," we are in danger of becoming distracted, of losing our perspective, our balance, our peace. To let our lives and minds revolve around God—to push out hysteria and achieve harmony with the universe—will require a determined effort of the will. Thoughtful individual and group study—especially listening, prayerful study of the Word of God, and books which are designed to increase our knowledge of His world and its basic needs—have held millions of people steady in times of stress. Let us then study and encourage others to study and share with us the benefits which come, as we seek together to find and do the will of God.

Sincerely yours,

ELIZABETH STINSON

STUDENT WORK

DOROTHY NYLAND, *Secretary*

Libraries on World Christian Community

The secretaries of Student Work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service have been presenting missionary libraries to the college campuses this year. It is the missionary emphasis for this year to end in June, 1952. A book list for students on World Christian Community,* available free of charge except for postage, was worked out by the Committee on Schools and Colleges of the Interboard Committee on Missionary Education, under the titles, Building the World Christian Community, the Church in Specific Geographical Areas, Issues Confronting the World Christian Community, and Vocations on the Christian Frontiers. This list was to be sent by the conference secretary of Student Work to the director of the Wesley Foundation or to the Director of Religious Life, asking that person to make a selection of the books desired for use in the student group. Many directors responded Then the conference secretary worked out a plan whereby these books can be sent from the local Woman's Society of Christian Service to the student centers. The response has been most gratifying.

Mrs. Frederick Otto, Oregon Conference secretary of Student Work, writes as follows: "These books may not represent much in monetary value, but they have great significance in other respects. We hope each student will be proud that her Woman's Society of Christian Service has given one of these books. This is the first recognition that many societies ever have taken of Student Work. We want them to continue that interest. I suggest that for each book received, a student be asked to write a thank-you note to the society that gave it. And, most important of all, we pray that in using these books our students will have a better understanding of our 'concern' over the people in all parts of the world, and that a continuing interest will lead them to become dedicated workers in our mission projects, both here and in other countries, or to become better-informed lay leaders and Woman's Society members in our churches here at home. The Wesleyan Service Guild is cooperating with us by giving a copy of *States' Laws on Race and Color** to each college library in the state, and also a copy to each of the seven mission libraries."

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STUDENT LIBRARY AT TENNESSEE WESLEYAN COLLEGE, ATHENS, TENNESSEE

Books on World Christian Community displayed in the Library at Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens, Tennessee. The collection came as a gift from Holston Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, which has contributed similar materials to seven campuses within the conference.
In picture: ***(left to right)***

Mr. Bob Smith, Knoxville, Tennessee. Student president of the Life Service Volunteers on the campus; also member of the Religious Council and the Student Christian Association.

Miss Ruth A. Smith, New York, New York. Field Worker for Missionary Personnel, visitor, and chapel speaker at the college, November 7-8, 1951.

Miss Marion Essary, Lenoir City, Tennessee. Vice-president of the Life Service Volunteers on the campus; also member of the Religious Council, the Wesleyan Fellowship, and the Student Christian Association.

Mrs. A. H. Myers, Athens, Tennessee. Secretary of Student Work in Holston Conference.

Wardle Portrait Studio, Athens

The Secretary of Youth Work

"THERE is not much to do except send in a report once a quarter."

"I do not know what will be expected of you but you can learn about it after you're elected."

"We need to have every office filled, so will you accept the job?"

Do these statements sound familiar to you? All have been used in asking women to serve as secretaries of Youth Work. Some of you will be members of nominating committees. What will you do to help a prospective leader know the opportunities and obligations in working with youth?

"The committee should seek for officers women who have a deep, active concern for the broad program of the Woman's Society, who will take time to study their specific task, who will work cooperatively, and who are motivated by an intense desire to help build a truly Christian world." [1] In addition to these basic principles, the committee should consider necessary qualifications for the "specific task" of secretary of Youth Work.

"When all is said and done, all methods depend for their effectiveness upon the skill and the Christian integrity of the worker." [2] A primary requisite is to be a Christian; her standards in individual and group relationships should reflect a Christian motivation.

There is no one answer to questions such as: What makes a good youth worker? What kind of person must she be? What qualities should she possess? While the answers may vary, some of the qualities of a good worker with youth include:

Ability to understand and get along with young people
Likable personality
Devotion to the church
Interest in things youth are interested in
Ability to lead
Willingness to learn and "to grow"
Capacity for friendship
Sense of humor
Dependability
Ability to listen
Willingness to invest time and self
Receptive to suggestions
Not easily discouraged
Well informed about the world-wide work of the church

Since the secretary of Youth Work carries out her responsibility according to the pattern for missionary education of youth, she should know the program of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. She is often asked to serve as the adult adviser for missions in the MYF. This is a big job, an inviting task, and one which calls for real leadership. The adult adviser is elected in this way:

(1) The nominating committee of the Woman's Society shall consult with the council of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, before making any nominations for the secretary of Youth Work. This provides for a wider selection of candidates, for the society has an added source for suggestions. Since missionary education of youth is a unified program, this consultation offers the opportunity for significant cooperative planning.

(2) The secretary of Youth Work shall then be elected by the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

(3) Upon confirmation by the council of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, the secretary of Youth Work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service shall be the adviser on missions and world friendship of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. (The secretary is not the adviser by virtue of her office. In most cases, however, she is asked by the council to serve as the adviser when this plan of election is followed. If she is not the adviser, she should serve as a resource person in the area of missionary education.) The adviser of the commission on missions and world friendship shall have responsibility for missionary education of youth, using the resources of the General Board of Education and the Board of Missions and Church Extension, including the Woman's Division of Christian Service. In the case of two or three departments in a division, the secretary of Youth Work will serve in advisory capacity to each. The adviser's responsibility will be carried on within the organizational pattern of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Dr. J. Q. Schisler, of the General Board of Education, delivered an address on "The Good Youth Leader" before the General Youth Section of the National Conference of Methodist Youth at West Lafayette, Indiana, in August, 1951. During this excellent address he said:

"The Youth Division is the heart of the church. What we have in that division of The Methodist Church is the result of the hopes, the dreams, and the prayers of nearly three thousand teachers of children. Every year these teachers send about one hundred and twenty-five thousand twelve-year-olds into the youth division of local churches. . . .

"At the other end of the youth age span, a somewhat smaller number of youth annually become members of the young adult fellowship. The kind of adults we have tomorrow are being made in the youth division. . . .

"Bishops and board secretaries know that the church's future is being determined by what is done for, with, and by youth today. They are, therefore, interested in youth's leaders. . . . They are concerned that the right kind of people be in places of leadership in the Methodist Youth Fellowship, people with capacity for real leadership, people who possess the qualities of heart and mind that enable them to challenge and inspire youth to high dedication to God and to service in his cause."

[1] From *A Guide for the Woman's Society of Christian Service*, p. 44.

[2] From *Youth Work in the Church*, by Harner.

LITERATURE AND PUBLICATIONS

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Lenten Reflections

THE season prior to Easter always brings desire for spiritual refreshment. This year we have gathered some literature which we think is most helpful, and we ask you to sit down and look over it with us. It will prove to be a real tonic for the soul, so send us an order.

A Study of the Book of Acts (65 cents) leads one to a new appreciation of the missionary endeavors in the early church. Hardships, disappointments, discouragement were there in large measure, but always the church once established remained firm, took root, and endured.

We turn the pages of **An Antioch Scene,** by Mrs. H. T. Tipps (10 cents; 2 for 15 cents) and appearing before our mind's eye is a home in Antioch, once pagan, now gloriously Christian. Meditate upon the transforming circumstances then and now through the fresh knowledge of a living Christ.

Leafing through the materials we find **Who Would Valiant Be** (2 cents; 25 for 40 cents). Why not determine to share this message of comfort and victory over loss with a friend who has lost a loved one?

We pick up the **Noon Day Prayer for Peace** (100 for $1.00) by Mrs. Harper Sibley. A deep consciousness of the fact that we pray this prayer, not alone, but with hundreds of Christian women everywhere makes our prayer a stronger link in that great chain.

Thoughts of prayer turn our attention to the **1951-52 Prayer Calendar** (40 cents). Using it, we may pray daily for our co-workers and centers of work under the Woman's Division. This endless chain of prayer is a strength-giving power which our workers say they feel intensely.

Perhaps you have been asked to plan a worship service. Opening **In Spirit and in Truth** (45 cents), we find splendid helps and ideas.

We turn to Dr. Bosley's pamphlet, **A Faith for Revolutionary Times** (45 cents). Stimulated by his four addresses on faith, prayer groups may become an imperative for your society. The book on **Prayer Groups** (45 cents) gives suggestions for forming prayer groups, shows us their relation to the church and individual prayer life.

So much to do to aid in the establishment of His kingdom, and so little time to do it, but time enough if—and we pick up our **Christian Stewardship Card** (1 cent each; 12 for 10 cents; 100 for 75 cents) and read:

"In love and loyalty to my Lord,
I acknowledge His supreme right to all I am and have.
As His steward I today commit myself loyally to His Church:
I will be faithful in worship and witness;
I will use my time and talents in His service;
I will set apart for His Kingdom a definite proportion of my income as I believe to be God's will for me."

Yes, time enough as His steward, and once again we sign the card and know that He is risen indeed within our hearts.

Suggestions

1. THE ANNUAL REPORT *of the Woman's Division* (50 cents) is *ready early this year.* On page 279 under "Every Purpose from A to Z" we find suggested uses for the **Annual Report.** Study the method under each letter and then really carry out the suggestions in action. Have you signed your name on page 287 of your copy? Circulate copies of the **Annual Report** among your officers, marking the pages pertaining to the work of the officer to whom it is given.
2. Be *nosey.* Find out what material each officer has, then "service" your society by supplying each officer with the required literature.
3. Ask your society to budget an amount for literature, then order what you need. Many of the leaflets are free. Study your catalogue.
4. Watch the back page of THE METHODIST WOMAN. Order new items as they appear. Every officer should use the tools of her office, including the leaflet listing her duties, her **Handbook,** if there is one, **A Guide,** and the **Annual Report of the Woman's Division.**

March Rare Bits

A clever card to each local society from a district secretary:

Hear ye! Hear ye!
Surprise, A Project for Us.
Select a country of interest to you and then
A scrapbook prepare on missions near or far
For an exhibit to be at the Spring Seminar.
Tell me the country and from our magazines glean
Pictures and articles that fit your theme.
Your subscriptions increase and 100 per cent make,
On officers' subscriptions a perfect slate.
Just, please, let me know as soon as you can.
Let's plan this year's work and then work our plan.

—Mrs. J. L. Layne,
Covington, Kentucky

A unique method used by a church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida:

"Our church (Park Temple) does a nice thing for new members. They are given their choice of *The Christian Advocate, Endless Line of Splendor,* WORLD OUTLOOK, *or* THE METHODIST WOMAN."

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE REPORT

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOARD OF MISSIO

Henrietta Gibso

CONFERENCE INCOME ON APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS

Jurisdiction	Adult	W.S.G.	Paid on Pledge 1951-52	Total Pledged 1951-52	Youth	Children	Total on Appropriatio 1951-52
Central:							
Atlanta	$ 318.99	$ 27.00	$ 345.99	$ 1,842.00	.....	$ 2.00	$ 347.
Central Alabama	519.02	8.40	527.42	1,000.00	.....	1.60	529.
Central West	460.00	69.00	529.00	1,058.00	$ 50.00	5.25	584.
Delaware	3,051.50	61.00	3,112.50	8,750.00	112.00	33.00	3,257.
East Tennessee	.....	50.00	50.00	1,900.00	.....	.....	50.
Florida	119.00	.....	119.00	400.00	.....	.....	119.
Lexington	3,296.70	146.00	3,442.70	6,000.00	15.50	.....	3,458.
Louisiana	476.00	41.25	517.25	2,975.00	.....	.....	517.
Mississippi	340.68	75.50	416.18	2,200.00	.....	.....	416.
North Carolina	865.00	20.00	885.00	1,840.00	3.00	5.00	893.
Savannah	152.00	.....	152.00	575.00	.....	.....	152.
South Carolina	1,600.00	.....	1,600.00	3,493.00	41.00	.....	1,641.
South Florida	200.00	.....	200.00	500.00	.....	.....	200.
Southwest	100.00	.....	100.00	700.00	28.00	10.00	138.
Tennessee	390.00	30.00	420.00	1,850.00	.....	8.00	428.
Texas	1,397.00	107.00	1,504.00	3,000.00	94.25	15.80	1,614.
Upper Mississippi	184.00	2.00	186.00	690.00	5.00	5.00	196.
Washington	1,770.01	255.84	2,025.85	6,200.00	178.89	10.00	2,214.
West Texas	275.00	31.00	306.00	1,500.00	.....	.....	306.
Total	15,514.90	923.99	16,438.89	46,473.00	527.64	95.65	17,062.
North Central:							
Dakota	7,905.47	175.00	8,080.47	29,650.00	398.70	52.62	8,531.
Detroit	34,874.56	620.30	35,494.86	121,200.00	2,227.16	133.84	37,855.
Illinois	64,243.72	1,845.86	66,089.58	163,000.00	885.03	483.14	67,457.
Indiana	39,387.85	2,237.30	41,625.15	103,500.00	2,051.19	641.96	44,318.
Iowa-Des Moines	35,118.50	1,069.52	36,188.02	102,115.00	3,035.58	238.17	39,461.
Michigan	22,765.89	1,169.89	23,935.78	97,000.00	1,035.09	181.77	25,152.
Minnesota	25,437.35	495.95	25,933.30	82,000.00	520.50	110.66	26,564.
North Dakota	5,623.18	70.00	5,693.18	28,388.00	138.00	64.38	5,895.
North Indiana	39,306.97	1,526.68	40,833.65	148,120.00	2,651.50	453.38	43,938.
North-East Ohio	70,527.95	2,078.70	72,606.65	203,616.00	3,039.15	819.66	76,465.
Northwest Indiana	15,664.05	569.25	16,233.30	64,356.00	851.17	251.03	17,335.
North Iowa	41,594.51	600.42	42,194.93	158,144.00	3,385.86	243.61	45,824.
Ohio	81,239.90	1,895.00	83,134.90	250,000.00	4,845.00	806.00	88,785.
Rock River	47,445.98	1,763.77	49,209.75	167,271.00	1,168.00	475.02	50,852.
Southern Illinois	20,976.19	2,371.61	23,347.80	51,200.00	1,098.96	219.50	24,666.
West Wisconsin	8,176.37	251.27	8,427.64	27,050.00	579.25	36.81	9,043.
Wisconsin	11,383.55	179.00	11,562.55	48,000.00	320.65	64.52	11,947.
Total	571,671.99	18,919.52	590,591.51	1,844,640.00	28,230.79	5,276.07	624,098.
Northeastern:							
Baltimore	38,897.94	799.18	39,697.12	116,000.00	1,737.38	235.15	41,669.
Central New York	17,136.17	198.00	17,334.17	50,000.00	422.50	55.38	17,812.
Central Pennsylvania	16,030.58	119.00	16,149.58	52,000.00	504.73	80.11	16,734.
Erie	22,880.00	93.25	22,973.25	74,750.00	941.72	232.30	24,147.
Genesee	17,206.28	475.15	17,681.43	65,000.00	343.35	12.64	18,037.
Maine	3,301.55	.....	3,301.55	8,800.00	55.48	16.15	3,373.
Newark	26,540.23	945.75	27,485.98	69,200.00	639.74	144.77	28,270.
New England	9,208.49	113.00	9,321.49	36,000.00	197.86	94.85	9,614.
New England Southern	5,089.88	15.00	5,104.88	24,000.00	428.88	.....	5,533.
New Hampshire	1,546.16	67.00	1,613.16	7,820.00	68.00	2.00	1,683.
New Jersey	17,892.44	185.50	18,077.94	51,000.00	1,890.15	168.54	20,136.
New York	12,562.38	862.60	13,424.98	36,000.00	246.23	33.00	13,704.
New York East	22,004.59	812.16	22,816.75	54,500.00	476.70	59.59	23,353.
Northern New York	7,893.21	86.53	7,979.74	30,500.00	.....	71.41	8,051.
Peninsula	21,388.28	29.10	21,417.38	39,100.00	1,443.00	78.71	22,939.
Philadelphia	27,339.14	1,892.24	29,231.38	75,000.00	536.35	165.35	29,933.
Pittsburgh	39,878.28	562.40	40,440.68	92,000.00	626.21	271.90	41,338.
Troy	19,327.57	486.67	19,814.24	56,000.00	128.60	5.89	19,948.
West Virginia	54,695.60	3,240.35	57,935.95	120,000.00	3,152.98	235.01	61,323.
Wyoming	21,363.24	222.15	21,585.39	50,000.00	.....	30.99	21,616.
Puerto Rico Provisional	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	402,182.01	11,205.03	413,387.04	1,107,670.00	13,839.86	1,993.74	429,220.
South Central:							
Central Kansas	38,204.52	1,006.80	39,211.32	156,828.00	3,052.47	631.77	42,895.
Central Texas	32,454.22	5,149.72	37,603.94	76,000.00	1,425.78	80.29	39,110.
East Oklahoma	21,221.57	2,183.25	23,404.82	61,987.00	1,090.23	76.22	24,571.
Indian Mission	319.63	.....	319.63	800.00	41.00	5.37	366.
Kansas	22,896.79	730.20	23,626.99	96,600.00	470.18	208.14	24,305.
Little Rock	28,882.77	2,852.27	31,735.04	71,530.00	1,184.76	40.20	32,960.

OR FIRST SIX MONTHS—1951-52

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DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS

General ppropriations	Conference Work	Total on Appropriations 1951-52	Total on Appropriations 1950-51	Week of Prayer (Including W. S. G.)	Cash for Supply Work	Supplementary Gifts	Cultivation ¼ of 1¢ Per Member	Misc.	Total Receipts
347.99		$ 347.99	$ 289.01	$ 25.27	$ 1.30		$ 4.63		$ 379.19
529.02		529.02		7.80	26.00				562.82
584.25		584.25	549.14		11.00				595.25
2,007.50	$ 1,250.00	3,257.50	2,678.98	50.00	35.00		16.00		3,358.50
50.00		50.00	186.00						50.00
119.00		119.00	94.00						119.00
3,458.20		3,458.20	3,468.00	154.29	363.15				3,975.64
517.25		517.25	471.10	9.50	62.54		5.52		594.81
416.18		416.18	671.45	57.55	32.00		5.00		510.73
893.00		893.00	795.00	10.00			7.00		910.00
152.00		152.00	150.60		25.50				177.50
1,641.00		1,641.00	1,611.00	32.21					1,673.21
200.00		200.00	200.00	40.00	6.00				246.00
138.00		138.00	41.00	18.00					156.00
428.00		428.00	459.09	20.00	45.80				493.80
1,614.05		1,614.05	1,482.49	96.87	79.00		7.00		1,796.92
196.00		196.00	130.75	6.00	6.00	$ 15.00	3.00		226.00
2,214.74		2,214.74	1,581.21	244.70	84.50				2,543.94
306.00		306.00							306.00
15,812.18	1,250.00	17,062.18	14,858.82	772.19	777.79	15.00	48.15		18,675 31
8,531.79		8,531.79	8,567.62	140.23	1,154.05		21.00		9,847.07
35,330.90	2,524.96	37,855.86	36,854.42	234.45	3,983.96	815.00	93.03		42,982.30
58,157.75	9,300.00	67,457.75	58,258.89	2,175.11	10,121.44	47.55	96.81		79,898.66
42,818.30	1,500.00	44,318.30	43,378.48	801.90	2,290.16	305.37	68.26		47,783.99
35,841.77	3,620.00	39,461.77	34,698.28	760.94	3,948.91	651.00	103.00		44,925.62
22,482.64	2,670.00	25,152.64	23,698.08	452.18	3,125.11	168.00	70.63		28,968.56
25,992.81	571.65	26,564.46	25,147.69	217.17	2,749.55	148.00			29,679.18
5,895.56		5,895.56	5,243.17	133.47	1,127.25				7,156.28
40,938.53	3,000.00	43,938.53	39,966.16	364.16	3,345.09	50.00	68.91		47,766.69
71,265.50	5,199.96	76,465.46	71,758.35	652.44	5,802.61	35.00	121.57	$ 1,000.00	84,077.08
17,335.50		17,335.50	18,780.67	69.25	1,311.11	185.00	49.36		18,950.22
43,724.85	2,099.55	45,824.40	38,361.15	446.95	4,067.08	550.00	94.71		50,983.14
75,985.92	12,799.98	88,785.90	78,041.18	500.00	5,551.35	375.00	170.00	35.00	95,417.25
47,681.97	3,170.80	50,852.77	47,972.94	360.85	3,520.47	2,172.27	148.40		57,054.76
23,666.26	1,000.00	24,666.26	21,549.44	1,545.00	2,444.14	652.50			29,307.90
8,193.73	849.97	9,043.70	8,917.54	52.97	1,453.08	1,652.00			12,201.75
11,947.72		11,947.72	13,681.79	193.11	1,422.25	100.00			13,663.08
575,791.50	48,306.87	624,098.37	574,875.85	9,100.18	57,417.61	7,906.69	1,105.68	1,035.00	700,663.53
35,069.65	6,600.00	41,669.65	44,030.22	328.72	1,751.42	30.00	77.76	10.00	43,867.55
17,812.05		17,812.05	17,009.68	567.98	748.00	205.00			19,333.03
12,567.77	4,166.65	16,734.42	17,097.37	151.35	1,235.15				18,120.92
20,647.29	3,499.98	24,147.27	22,759.42	222.70	2,504.05	50.00		59.25	26,983.27
17,204.12	833.30	18,037.42	15,988.07	90.23	784.74	46.00		5.00	18,963.39
3,373.18		3,373.18	2,972.59	64.38	139.50				3,577.06
26,470.49	1,800.00	28,270.49	27,678.32	436.84	548.40		44.78	135.00	29,435.51
4,114.24	5,499.96	9,614.20	12,571.31	119.43	880.01	1,815.16			12,428.80
3,783.76	1,750.00	5,533.76	5,285.30	54.08	182.10		17.50		5,787.44
1,683.16		1,683.16	2,322.77	86.10	37.50				1,806.76
17,516.67	2,619.96	20,136.63	19,235.09	838.99	940.32	3.00	44.10		21,963.04
13,704.21		13,704.21	13,412.04	114.27	461.11	90.00	27.45		14,397.04
21,203.04	2,150.00	23,353.04	24,218.60	304.91	1,103.50	150.00			24,911.45
8,051.15		8,051.15	4,586.38	176.24	264.50	100.90			8,592.79
19,689.13	3,249.96	22,939.09	17,686.80	237.51	1,013.29	215.00			24,404.89
21,883.12	8,049.96	29,933.08	31,386.83	331.07	1,644.07	255.05			32,163.27
34,388.79	6,950.00	41,338.79	36,838.44	1,815.32	2,092.73	10.00		1,018.60	46,275.44
19,948.73		19,948.73	22,228.66	449.34	809.92	113.58	72.00	45.00	21,438.57
55,623.94	5,700.00	61,323.94	58,241.08	3,065.69	6,482.41		88.14	5.00	70,965.18
19,449.73	2,166.65	21,616.38	18,967.50	147.63	989.99	21.50	43.17		22,818.67
374,184.22	55,036.42	429,220.64	414,516.47	9,602.78	24,612.71	3,105.19	414.90	1,277.85	468,234.07
42,533.10	362.46	42,895.56	37,924.99	326.88	3,514.22	100.00	80.65		46,917.31
39,110.01		39,110.01	33,291.40	3,504.58	4,089.51	10.00	33.00		46,747.10
24,571.27		24,571.27	19,334.61		2,945.19	10.00			27,526.46
366.00		366.00	232.95	126.15	3.00				495.15
21,555.31	2,750.00	24,305.31	22,446.00	267.02	2,938.53	25.00			27,535.86
32,510.00	450.00	32,960.00	27,647.62	1,624.00	1,741.69	6.00	29.51		36,361.20

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE REPORT

WOMAN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE—BOARD OF MISSIO

Henrietta Gibson

CONFERENCE INCOME ON APPROPRIATIONS BY DEPARTMENTS

Jurisdiction	Adult	W.S.G.	Paid on Pledge 1951-52	Total Pledged 1951-52	Youth	Children	Total on Appropriation 1951-52
South Central (Continued):							
Louisiana	$ 33,124.65	$ 4,275.13	$ 37,399.78	$ 90,682.00	$ 1,659.66	$ 125.74	$ 39,185.
Missouri	15,237.69	654.00	15,891.69	33,000.00	579.57	138.64	16,609.
Nebraska	30,549.31	940.60	31,489.91	130,120.00	882.33	134.44	32,506.
New Mexico	10,711.26	1,289.23	12,000.49	23,000.00	329.53	17.65	12,347.
North Arkansas	21,612.27	4,087.28	25,699.55	51,939.00	477.72	27.55	26,204.
North Texas	32,114.63	2,620.00	34,734.63	84,200.00	575.00	85.00	35,394.
Northwest Texas	27,682.97	3,143.40	30,826.37	71,300.00	959.35	97.73	31,883.
St. Louis	27,760.33	2,986.78	30,747.11	66,683.00	916.12	154.78	31,818.
Rio Grande	395.42	.....	395.42	1,070.00	100.75	9.00	505.
Southwest Missouri	23,761.43	2,531.77	26,293.20	77,632.00	771.08	223.97	27,288.
Southwest Texas	33,622.86	4,430.01	38,052.87	60,000.00	.....	158.04	38,210.
Texas	48,691.58	6,035.70	54,727.28	116,400.00	.....	351.45	55,078.
West Oklahoma	26,693.95	2,663.91	29,357.86	83,950.00	1,499.38	57.12	30,914.
Total	475,937.85	47,580.05	523,517.90	1,353,721.00	16,014.91	2,623.10	542,155.
Southeastern:							
Alabama	26,632.32	3,286.53	29,918.85	75,000.00	628.72	155.61	30,703.
Cuba Mission	.....	35.00	35.00	25.00	.....	.....	35.
Florida	42,592.81	3,401.33	45,994.14	90,000.00	2,667.25	142.99	48,804.
Holston	27,843.62	5,548.38	33,392.00	66,700.00	1,339.03	150.68	34,881.
Kentucky	20,465.00	2,844.50	23,309.50	46,000.00	1,017.77	144.45	24,471.
Louisville	19,079.30	2,240.70	21,320.00	42,600.00	1,415.45	177.47	22,912.
Memphis	27,909.21	5,646.85	33,556.06	62,100.00	955.28	80.63	34,591.
Mississippi	21,349.19	3,655.96	25,005.15	56,000.00	332.90	33.54	25,371.
North Alabama	34,028.84	5,101.49	39,130.33	69,500.00	2,905.79	99.55	42,135.
North Carolina	44,127.99	5,084.41	49,212.40	87,500.00	2,068.59	312.71	51,593.
North Georgia	46,530.99	10,647.30	57,178.29	121,834.00	1,649.19	381.63	59,209.
North Mississippi	15,489.68	2,650.95	18,140.63	38,000.00	1,842.04	68.03	20,050.
South Carolina	51,174.31	4,998.69	56,173.00	119,025.00	2,476.61	236.03	58,885.
South Georgia	41,285.28	4,394.30	45,679.58	85,000.00	1,169.46	257.02	47,106.
Tennessee	27,708.24	4,700.52	32,408.76	80,000.00	2,389.60	69.22	34,867.
Virginia	73,998.78	5,244.58	79,243.36	140,000.00	6,198.95	726.35	86,168.
Western North Carolina	50,133.32	6,572.50	56,705.82	110,000.00	3,018.28	218.49	59,942.
Total	570,348.88	76,053.99	646,402.87	1,289,284.00	32,074.91	3,254.40	681,732.
Western:							
Alaska Mission	163.75	.....	163.75	864.00	.....	.....	163.
California Oriental Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	5.
California-Nevada	27,770.42	1,741.49	29,511.91	84,640.00	632.24	96.13	30,240.
Colorado	13,152.88	953.27	14,106.15	42,300.00	485.60	81.87	14,673.
Hawaii Mission	703.72	50.00	753.72	1,400.00	60.65	.....	814.
Idaho	4,779.67	115.00	4,894.67	13,000.00	165.60	6.94	5,067.
Japanese Provisional	25.00	.....	25.00	25.00	.....	.....	25.
Latin American Provisional	100.00	.....	100.00	.....	.....	.....	100.
Montana	4,104.12	209.62	4,313.74	16,000.00	71.80	53.07	4,438.
Oregon	14,350.13	527.43	14,877.56	45,700.00	485.11	71.08	15,433.
Pacific Northwest	19,453.22	817.57	20,270.79	55,000.00	670.61	57.91	20,999.
Southern California-Arizona	72,207.21	2,507.72	74,714.93	218,000.00	2,566.85	180.77	77,462.
Wyoming State	3,177.45	306.72	3,484.17	7,578.00	41.50	56.50	3,582.
Total	159,987.57	7,228.82	167,216.39	484,507.00	5,184.96	604.27	173,005.
Total from Conferences	2,195,643.20	161,911.40	2,357,554.60	6,126,295.00	95,873.07	13,847.23	2,467,274.
Other Income for Appropriations:							
Deaconess Pensions	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enrolled Missionary Pension Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Missionary and Deaconess Temporary Disability Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest Income Allocated from Endowments and Restricted Funds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous and Gifts for Appropriations	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Student Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Total	$2,195,643.20	$161,911.40	$2,357,554.60	$6,126,295.00	$95,873.07	$13,847.23	$2,467,274.

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DIVISION OF TOTAL RECEIPTS

General ropriations	Conference Work	Total on Appropriations 1951-52	Total on Appropriations 1950-51	Week of Prayer (Including W. S. G.)	Cash for Supply Work	Supplementary Gifts	Cultivation ¼ of 1¢ Per Member	Misc.	Total Receipts
39,185.18	.....	$ 39,185.18	$ 31,797.44	$ 379.65	$ 6,555.72	$ 345.00	$ 33.87	.....	$ 46,499.42
16,609.90	.....	16,609.90	23,634.19	1,218.46	934.39	770.65	28.76	.....	19,562.16
28,906.68	$ 3,600.00	32,506.68	30,015.18	451.85	3,970.35	1,200.00	79.93	.....	38,208.81
12,347.67	.....	12,347.67	16,051.86	341.07	3,282.35	.....	.....	.....	15,971.09
25,604.82	600.00	26,204.82	22,515.75	3,401.00	3,214.73	.....	35.48	.....	32,856.03
35,394.63	.....	35,394.63	35,278.00	4,641.78	1,685.01	600.00	36.09	.....	42,357.51
31,883.45	.....	31,883.45	29,738.03	362.17	4,309.82	285.25	31.02	.....	36,871.71
31,818.01	.....	31,818.01	28,299.09	1,401.12	4,434.72	83.55	32.75	.....	37,770.15
505.17	.....	505.17	531.94	.....	21.00	.....	.....	.....	526.17
27,288.25	.....	27,288.25	23,064.24	1,016.73	2,794.87	400.00	38.99	.....	31,538.84
37,140.91	1,070.00	38,210.91	33,963.06	4,388.58	5,929.78	439.75	.....	.....	48,969.02
55,078.73	.....	55,078.73	49,350.34	4,770.80	5,705.89	.....	.....	.....	65,555.42
30,914.36	.....	30,914.36	28,005.36	3,787.81	3,475.96	1,123.99	40.20	$ 131.25	39,473.57
533,323.45	8,832.46	542,155.91	493,122.05	32,009.65	61,546.73	5,399.19	500.25	131.25	641,742.98
30,703.18	.....	30,703.18	29,198.76	7,458.12	1,393.94	43.50	32.00	.....	39,630.74
35.00	.....	35.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35.00
48,804.38	.....	48,804.38	45,801.66	4,689.48	11,997.00	2,470.00	70.00	25.00	68,055.86
33,381.71	1,500.00	34,881.71	32,417.78	7,131.12	4,255.00	8,457.00	75.00	80.00	54,879.83
24,471.72	.....	24,471.72	22,619.12	3,566.06	2,489.17	105.00	30.00	.....	30,661.95
22,912.92	.....	22,912.92	17,048.40	2,835.28	504.22	125.00	24.95	43.50	26,445.87
34,591.97	.....	34,591.97	30,930.52	7,095.58	4,116.00	153.00	40.94	.....	45,997.49
25,371.59	.....	25,371.59	22,925.00	5,427.05	1,064.26	40.00	45.00	.....	31,947.90
42,135.67	.....	42,135.67	39,676.26	679.59	4,834.66	88.00	53.38	.....	47,791.30
51,593.70	.....	51,593.70	46,455.81	6,172.39	6,301.85	.....	70.40	.....	64,138.34
59,209.11	.....	59,209.11	59,069.21	5,454.52	5,433.33	940.00	70.00	25.00	71,131.96
20,050.70	.....	20,050.70	21,078.89	4,780.58	2,095.97	3,000.00	.....	.....	29,927.25
58,885.64	.....	58,885.64	51,183.23	3,498.73	5,055.69	5,298.93	64.58	.....	72,803.57
47,106.06	.....	47,106.06	41,277.20	5,675.92	5,293.80	2,100.00	.....	.....	60,175.78
30,067.58	4,800.00	34,867.58	28,490.67	982.76	2,695.83	2.50	34.31	.....	38,582.98
86,168.66	.....	86,168.66	78,495.65	5,457.53	3,937.57	4,781.00	100.00	.....	100,444.76
59,942.59	.....	59,942.59	55,355.88	5,929.27	12,160.65	900.00	.....	.....	78,932.51
675,432.18	6,300.00	681,732.18	622,024.04	76,833.98	73,628.94	28,503.93	710.56	173.50	861,583.09
163.75	.....	163.75	228.75	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	164.75
5.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
29,440.28	800.00	30,240.28	30,917.46	932.75	1,054.48	231.00	58.27	.....	32,516.78
13,023.62	1,650.00	14,673.62	12,894.90	329.95	1,261.34	306.00	43.40	25.00	16,639.31
814.37	.....	814.37	598.94	46.80	.....	6.50	.....	.....	867.67
5,067.21	.....	5,067.21	4,945.44	343.11	725.60	.....	.....	.....	6,135.92
25.00	.....	25.00	13.55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00
100.00	.....	100.00	116.62	31.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	131.25
4,438.61	.....	4,438.61	4,759.64	58.98	487.18	.....	15.22	.....	4,999.99
14,933.75	500.00	15,433.75	14,992.94	914.53	1,240.85	439.34	27.77	.....	18,056.24
20,474.31	525.00	20,999.31	18,857.96	1,124.27	1,394.50	370.00	42.50	.....	23,930.58
62,454.57	15,007.98	77,462.55	65,830.67	2,448.29	7,032.39	2,329.38	.....	.....	89,272.61
3,582.17	.....	3,582.17	3,219.20	186.22	.....	.....	6.50	.....	3,774.89
154,522.64	18,482.98	173,005.62	157,376.07	6,416.15	13,196.34	3,682.22	194.66	25.00	196,519.99
,329,066.17	138,208.73	2,467,274.90	2,276,773.30	134,734.93	231,180.12	48,612.22	2,974.20	2,642.60	2,887,418.97
24,986.66	.....	24,986.66	24,731.57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24,986.66
128.20	.....	128.20	121.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	128.20
160.00	.....	160.00	303.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160.00
8,161.28	.....	8,161.28	8,131.28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8,161.28
3,025.32	.....	3,025.32	2,514.78	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,025.32
3,294.67	.....	3,294.67	1,817.23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,294.67
39,756.13	.....	39,756.13	37,619.61						
,368,822.30	$138,208.73	$2,507,031.03	$2,314,392.91	$134,734.93	$231,180.12	$48,612.22	$2,974.20	$2,642.60	$2,927,175.10

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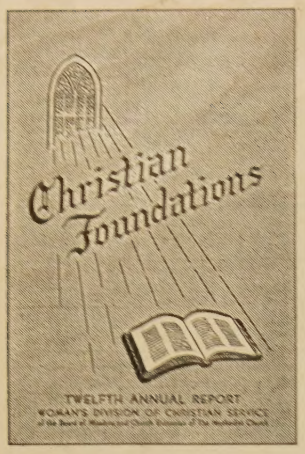

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